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## *Portfolio*

**The Times Portfolio competition prize was shared by two winners yesterday, Mr Raymond Trivass of Eccleston, St Helens, Lancashire, and Miss Barbara Goodall of Manchester; each received £1,000. Portfolio list page 20; how to play, information service, back page**

## Submarine ordered to surface

A foreign submarine trapped in a Norwegian fishing boat's nets some miles off Stavanger was ordered to surface by a coast guard vessel that caught up. It was not a Nato submarine, the Norwegian Navy said.

## Fast broken

The 10 "loyalist" hunger strikers in Magilligan prison in Northern Ireland accepted some food last night while negotiations continued over their separation from *republican* prisoners.

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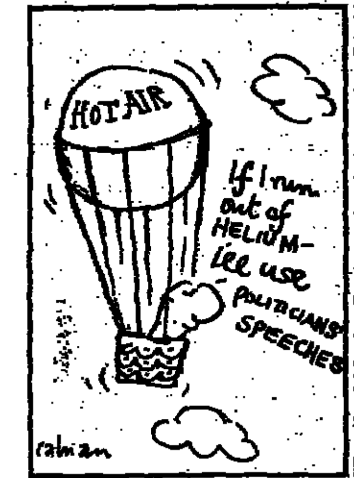
## On view

President Chernenko appeared on Soviet television last night, dampening speculation about his health and authority. But again he looked frail Page 6

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## Yoko's millions

Yoko Ono, widow of the former Beatle John Lennon, was a surprise name in a list of the 400 richest Americans headed by the oilman Mr Gordon Getty with $4.1 billion Page 21



# Steel wants last chance to break into government

**By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent**

Mr David Steel, the Liberal leader, last night responded to party critics by giving himself one last chance to break through in to government.

With increasing criticism of his low-key leadership, which contrasts starkly with Dr David Owen's current sky-high profile, Mr Steel was asked about his plans in a BBC television interview at the Liberal Assembly in *Bournemouth*.

He said: "I have done eight years now as party leader. I have every intention of going on to do the next election."

Mr Steel added that he would prefer to form an Alliance government with Dr Owen and the Social Democrats, but he would also accept the "fallback position" in which the Alliance would hold a balance of parliamentary power with another party.

"In either of these situations *it would be extremely foolish of* me to relinquish the leadership of the party when this is what I have been working towards all that time."

But he then added: "If I fail, if we didn't make a breakthrough, then I think the party itself would want to say, 'Well, you know, you've done it now for more than a decade. We ought really to be having a fresh think'. And I'd want a fresh think.

"I wouldn't want to commit myself to what we might be doing in 1988."

The leadership issue had been *raised in Bournemouth* yesterday by a fringe magazine, *Liberator*, which posed the question: "Should Steel go?".

The magazine, written and published by rank-and-file activists, said that Mr Steel was "tired and burnt-out" and offered a "racecard of potential successors".

Mr Alan Beith, a party whip, was evens favourite; Mr Paddy Ashdown, "megastar" MP for Yeovil, was put at 3-1; Mr Michael Meadowcroft, MP for Leeds West and "the thinking Liberals' Liberal" was given at 5-1; and Mr David Penhaligon, MP for Truro and "good for a laugh", was put at 10-1.

Mr Steel dismissed the article. He *told television* interviewers: "I think they must *have got upset because* I cancelled my subscription to that rag last year. I don't take it very seriously."

Nevertheless, he is conscious of the need to reassure delegates with the firm smack of determined leadership this week. He said in an interview with ITN: "I always have to reassert my authority at assemblies. It's an *annual ritual and I expect I'll* have to do the same again this time."

Mr Steel's dilemma was summed up by Mr Malcolm Bruce, the MP for Gordon, who said: "If David Steel takes a high profile he's a one-man band, if he takes a low profile he's overshadowed by David Owen."

*But the Alliance* also faces a leadership problem. Mr Penhaligon said yesterday that it needed a clear leader, a prime minister-in-waiting, before the next election.

Mr Steel said: "I'm not sure that *he's right, but there* are quite a lot of colleagues who feel that and I *think* that's a matter which the two parties ought to discuss.

He said that he and David Owen had made the position clear. "We think we can work well together as leaders of the *Alliance. If others think diffe*rently; well they must discuss it among themselves.

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Defector's tale: Mr Bitov telling the Moscow press conference yesterday of his adventures in Britain

# Britain rejects kidnapping charge by Russian

Mr Oleg Bitov, the Soviet journalist who defected to the West a year ago, turned up again in Moscow yesterday and said he had been *kidnapped* and *tortured* by the British Secret Service (Henry Stanhope writes).

It was the first time he had been seen in public since he disappeared from his London home last month, leaving his Toyota car parked near the Soviet embassy and £40,000 in the bank.

Looking tired and drawn, *the foreign cultural* editor of Moscow's Literary Gazette told a packed *press conference that he had been* knocked unconscious from behind while covering *last year's Venice Film Festival* for his journal, and smuggled to Britain, heavily sedated with drugs.

The names of British agents, the addresses and telephone numbers of "safe houses" used by the security services, spilled out in a lurid *account which accused his "captors" of violence*, blackmail and bribery during his one year in Britain.

But a home Office statement dismissed the allegations as "absurd" and added "Mr Bitov came to Britain entirely of his own free will.

Mr Bitov, aged 52, is thought to have returned *to Moscow after doing a deal with the* Soviet embassy in London, because he missed his wife *Ludmilla* and daughter Xenia, 15, who were barred by the Russians from joinig him. According to friends he is also suffering from cancer.

The Foreign Office summoned in London Mr Nicholai Posilyagin, the Soviet Charge d'Affaires, last night to protest at the Moscow press conference. Mr Posilyagin undertook to report the protest to his government.

## Cool, clear but under strain

**From Richard Owen, Moscow**

Mr Oleg Bitov, the senior Soviet journalist who defected *to Britain a year ago, yesterday* resurfaced in Moscow claiming that he had been abducted and tortured by British intelligence services, and had been obliged to make numerous anti-Soviet statements over the past year against his will.

Mr Bitov, aged 52, disappeared last September while attending the Venice Film Festival. He was the foreign culture editor of the *Literary Gazette* and the brother of the well-known unorthodox Soviet writer, Andrei Bitov.

He appeared in Britain last *autumn and later made a* statement, published in *The Times* and elsewhere, saying that his defection was a protest against the lack of freedom in the Soviet Union and the criminal shooting down of the Korean airliner.

In mid-August, however, Mr Bitov vanished from a safe house in London where he had been staying, and friends expressed fears that he had been pressurized by the KGB into returning to the Soviet Union to be reunited with his wife, Ludmilla, and his 15-year-old daughter, Xenia.

At his press conference yesterday, staged by the Novosti press agency under the auspices of the Soviet Foreign Ministry, *Mr Bitov looked under strain*. He said he returned to the Soviet Union three weeks ago, but when asked to confirm that he had done so voluntarily he refused to give details, saying they would appear in future articles by him in the *Literary Gazette*.

*He spoke* coolly and clearly from a prepared text and answered questions, but had a pasty complexion with signs of exhaustion around the eyes.

The press conference was televised and broadcast on Moscow Radio. Mr Bitov, flanked by officials from Novosti and his *own* paper, said he had gained the full trust of *his captors* and been *allowed* to move around at will two months before he actually returned to Russia.

Mr. Bitov said he had been *held captive* by agents of British Intelligence and had initially been *interrogated at an Army* barracks near Brighton on the Lewes road. he named the agents as Colonel George *Hartland*, department chief, and Lieutenant-Colonel James Westoll, who he said was his case officer, or guardian, and had since been promoted.

They were assisted, he said, by Michael Wilmont, Peter Haylor, described as *intelligence* officers, a Captain Charles MacNaught, a *departmental* clerk called Rose Prince and a *man named as Peter Joy*, who he said had overseen his literary activity in the West. Mr Bitov gave two telephone numbers which he said belonged to British Intelligence. He appeared vague about his alleged captors, however, and did not say to which branch of intelligence services they belonged.

He gave the addresses of two safe houses where he was allegedly held under permanent surveillance by *his* case officer: Flat 4, 34 Redcliffe Square, Earls Court, and 118 Sheen Court, Richmond, Surrey, adding that he could give other names and addresses but chose not to do so.

Mr Bitov's Toyota car was found abondoned near the Soviet Embassy. He also left about £40,00 in a London bank account. When *The Times* made inquiries in Moscow last week Mr Igor Belyaev, foreign editor of the *Litterary Gazette*, said he had no news of Mr Bitov's whereabouts.

### Ploy to gain captors' trust

Yesterday, however, Mr Belyaev admitted he had known *about Mr Bitov's return three* weeks ago. He said he did not know what post Mr Bitov would now occupy.

Mr Bitov described his experi*ence in the West as "nightmarish captivity"*, claiming he had been given mindbending drugs. His treatment had recalled nazi cruelties. He admitted he had written articles for the *Sunday Telegraph* on Soviet censorship, but this had been a ploy to gain the confidence of his captors.

*He had had no friends except* for intelligence agents. "My only friends were my tape recorder and my Toyota". He had played a *double game, but* had not had contact with the Soviet Embassy in London.

When Mr Bitov first defected the *Literary Gazette* claimed he had been kidnapped, but was later made to appear foolish when he surfaced in London to condemn the increasingly repressive cultural climate in the Soviet Union.

Yesterday Mr Bitov said his defection had been passed off as *the greatest victory of the* British Secret Services since the *Second World War, with fantas*tic allegations about the capture of a *Soviet superspy* enchanted by a beautiful British girl.

### Western agents' Operation Bitov

But in the end stories about him in the *British* press had represented him as a Soviet intellectual who had successfully carried out his secret ambition to escape to the free world. He had been obliged to provide anti-Soviet disclosures as part of a "foul propaganda campaign". Mr Bitov said he was *"just a journalist"*, although he did not explain why in that case the *Italian* and British secret services should have kidnapped and held him.

Mr Bitov told the press conference he had been sent by his paper to cover the Venice Film Festival in September last year. With "incredible cynicism" Western agents had carried out "operation Bitov", but had failed to "make a lieutenant general" out of him.

They had found it was not so simple to buy him, and "threats of violence and subtle means of pressure cannot bring a Soviet man to his knees".

*Returning to the hotel late on* the night of 8 September he had stepped forward into the darkness of his room "only to receive a terrible blow on the back of my head". His memories of what happened next were vague, Mr Bitov said, because when he came to the next *morning* he was *deprived* of willpower and memory and his movements were uncoordinated.

Despite his semi-conscious state he recalled an Italian

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# Crisis? What crisis? says Lawson

**By Peter Wilson-Smith Banking Correspondent**

Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, flew out of the country *yesterday denying there was a* financial crisis as the pound fell to new depths against the surging dollar.

"Crisis? What crisis? There's no crisis," Mr Lawson said in response to questions. He was leaving Heathrow airport for talks with fellow finance *ministers* at a series of financial meetings in Toronto and Washington.

At one point the pound was down to a new low of *$1.2160* yesterday and was tumbling against other currencies under the weight of heavy speculative selling. But it recovered part of its losses after news of the dockers' return to work and was also helped by profit-taking in the dollar.

*Sterling closed in London* down 95 points at $1.2320. Its effective value against a basket of currencies fell 0.6 to 76.4 per cent of its 1975 level, having been down to 76 at midday.

Mr Lawson, whose remark yesterday recalled the comment of the former Labour Prime Minister, Mr James Callaghan, in 1979, refused to comment on whether the Government planned to take any action over the pound.

Government officials are putting most of the blame on the strength of the dollar and the City, which has remained *calm, believes that the* Government is determined to avoid a rise in interest rates.

● With all oil priced in US dollars the oil industry is already preparing for a further round of petrol price increases if the exchange rate remains at its present level until the weekend *(David Young writes).*

One of the leading petrol companies *said last night* that prices may have to be put up again before then.

The present wave of petrol price increases - Esso, Shell and Mobil yesterday followed BP in reducing dealers' subsidies and effectively increased prices by up to 7p a gallon - has *already* been counteracted by the continuing fall in the pound *against the dollar.*

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# Fears for trade as docks strike ends

**By Barrie Clement, Labour Reporter**

Dockers' leaders yesterday called off the three-weeks-old national stoppage and threatened *disciplinary* action against workers who defied the strike call.

The decision was taken at a stormy meeting of 100 port delegates in London after a recommendation to end the strike by the 24 members of the national docks and waterways committee of the Transport and General Workers' Union.

*Many dockers' representa*tives felt that the union had *capitulated by accepting* an agreement which simply reaffirmed the status quo at Hunterston Terminal on the Clyde, the issue which started the strike.

But the delegates voted by seventy-six to eight with six abstentions to accept the deal amid *continuing* signs of grassroots opposition to the action.

*Employers greeted the news* with considerable relief, but gave a warning *that striking* ports could have suffered permanent damage because trade may be switched to other docks.

At the height of the stoppage – the second in two months – 8,750 registered dockers stopped work with 2,800 defying their union's instruction. Mr John Connolly, national docks officer of the TGWU, admitted that he was disappointed with *the response* to the call for action.

Some strikers reported for work yesterday and ports are expected to be back to normal today. Bristol may suffer continuing disruption because of a local dispute.

The call for disciplinary *action is unlikely to lead to* expulsions from the union because of *the scale of the anti*-strike rebellion. Fines may be imposed for crossing picket lines, but there is no intention to take more draconian measures.

The union has effectively bowed to the British Steel Corporation's insistence that 22,500 tonnes of coal be imported at Hunterston for use at *the* Ravenscraig steelworks. The agreement states that for the first *four weeks* 18,000 tonnes will be allowed in, during the second four weeks 20,000 tonnes and thereafter 22,500 tonnes. Dockers' leaders had originally sought to impose a quota of 18,000 tonnes in support of the miners' strike.

Port workers blacked all coal imports after negotiations with the corporation broke down. The strike started because BSC brought in a coal ship with the *help of unregistered labour*.

Part of the settlement is that the corporation has reiterated an assurance it gave the transport workers' union on May 16 that all work normally carried out by registered dockers at Hunterston will be offered to them first.

But it refused to guarantee that the work – involving the *tying up of ships and cleaning of holds* – will not be contracted out *if the registered workers are* unable to do it. Such a guarantee formed one of the main planks of union demands.

# TUC to study £115,000 plea for miners' rescue

**By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor**

Leaders of the TUC are meeting later this week to *formalize plans for a financial* "rescue" of the National Union *of Mineworkers so that the pit* strike, now in its twenty-eighth week, *can continue indefinitely*.

The miners' union told Mr Norman *Willis*, the *TUC* general secretary, that it needs £115,000 a week to continue its normal operations, and all 98 affiliated unions will be asked to raise cash from their 10 million members to ensure that the miners' organization does not go under.

A draft circular to unions along those lines in understood to have been prepared for the TUC's "inner Cabinet", its *finance and general purposes* committee, which meets on Friday to consider how best to implement a congress resolution promising "total support"

Steel union leaders meet the same day to determine what backing they are prepared to give *to the miners'* union, but the level of support is likely to be *much less than the miners* are seeking.

After the power supply unions indicated their unwillingness to take supportive industrial action two days ago, the *TUC* steel industry committee is expected to take a similarly non-committal line.

Mr David Basnett, one of the TUC's "three wise men" who are monitoring peace moves in the mining dispute, said yesterday: "There is no grand plan for a great escalation of industrial action throughout the country".

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## Balloonist breaks foot and record

Nice (Reuter) – *The balloon* navigator, Colonel Joe Kit*tinger, broke a foot* upon landing in Italy after a record-making transatlantic crossing in his airship, the Rosie O'Grady, hospital sources said here yesterday.

Colonel Kittinger aged 56, had been flown by helicopter to Nice and admitted to Saint-Roch Hospital less than three hours after he set down outside the Italian riviera town of Savona yesterday afternoon.

Italian air traffic controllers described the arrival of the helium-filled Rosie O'Grady as a perfect landing.

*The aviator* was picked up by one of the French helicopters which tailed him across the Italian border in the last stages of his journey from Maine, on the US eastern seaboard.

# Six on Booker short list under starter's orders

**By Philip Howard Literary Editor**

The short list for the Booker McConnell prize for fiction, Britain's most valuable literary award, was announced last night.

The six books are all first-class novels, and it would be no laughing-stock for any of them to win the Booker: *this has* by no means always been the case in the past.

The favourite in literary gossip is Ballard's *Empire of the Sun*. Literary chatter in these matters is less reliable as *a method of forecasting* the winner than a pin and shut eyes for picking horses.

The six final books are all determinedly intelligent and *from the higher fiction*, as fits the selection of a panel chaired by the recently retired Professor of Modern History at Oxford. Five of the six are either very *funny* or agreeably humorous, also convenable for a bunch picked by Professor Richard Cobb.

There are some surprising omissions: there always are. But the bookies must have made a packet from the fact that neither Kingsley nor Martin Amis are on the short list.

*The six finalist authors*, in alphabetical order, are:

J G BALLARD for *Empire of the Sun* (Gollancz): *life in a* Japanese internment camp, seen through the eyes of a young boy, reflects Ballard's own war-time experience. And like his science fiction, it carries an apocalyptic vision.

JULIAN BARNES for *Flaubert's Parrot* (Cape): about both Flaubert and parrots, and *a great deal of other assorted* fact and fiction. The enigmatic narrator is a retired English *doctor*, whose secrets are slowly revealed.

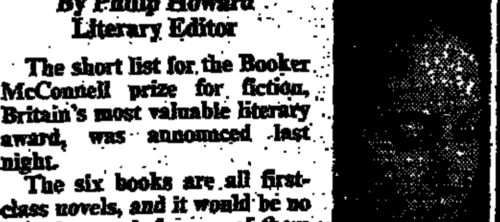
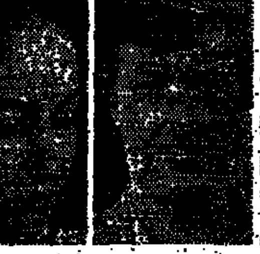
ANITA BROOKNER for *Hôtel du Lac* (Cape): a romantic novelist and spinster *is in disgrace and banished to* the shores of Lake Geneva until she comes to her senses from some mysterious crime.

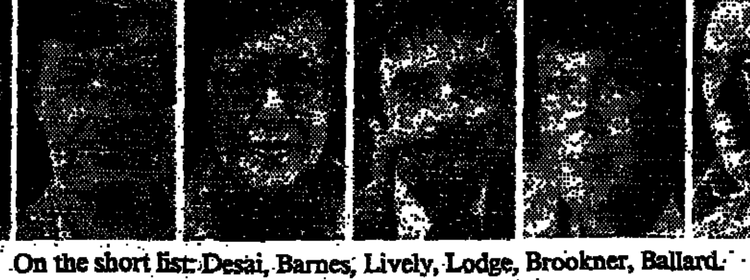
ANITA DESAI for *In Custody* (Heinemann): the yearnings and calamities of a small-town scholar in the north of India, who sees a way to escape when he is asked to *interview a great Urdu poet for* a literary magazine.

*PENELOPE LIVELY* for *According to Mark* (Heinemann): a summer obsession, seen from three sides of the triangle; a literary detective *story which moves* from Dorset to the Dordogne; an insider's view of the art of the biographer.

DAVID LODGE for *Small World* (Secker & Warburg); a very funny academic romance, in which some of the author's characters from *Changing Places reappear*, set in the modern world of continual learned conferences.

Professor Cobb will announce the £15,000 winner at a dinner at the Guildhall on October 18. After last year's embarrassing scenes, the dinner will be televised by Channel Four instead of the BBC.





On the short list: Desai, Barnes, Lively, Lodge, Brookner, Ballard.

# New powers for Law Society on complaints about solicitors

**By Francis Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent**

The Government is to grant the Law Society new powers in an administration of justice Bill next session to deal with solicitors who are guilty of bad professional work.

The extent of the new powers has been agreed in talks between the Lord Chancellor's Department and the Law Society, which has long felt it was powerless to deal with inefficiency or incompetence that stops short of professional negligence.

The Bill will contain provisions enabling the society to order solicitors to do work again, to order them to forfeit all or part of their fees and to attach conditions to practising certificates, in cases where solicitors' work falls short of the accepted standards.

Under the Bill, expected in the Queen's Speech, the solicitors' disciplinary tribunal will also assume power to remove from a solicitor the right to undertake legal aid work. This at present lies with the legal aid complaints tribunal which is expected to be wound up.

The legal ombudsman, Major-General John Allen, the Lay Observer, who monitors the society's handling of complaints against solicitors, has twice called for the society to be given powers to tackle bad professional work. Four years ago, such powers were also recommended by the Royal Commission on Legal Services.

At present, clients who suffer delays, inconvenience and inefficiency have no remedy. The Law society deals only with cases where clients are the victims of professional negligence, which can be referred to the solicitors' disciplinary tribunal with its powers to strike off.

In the wake of the Glanville Davies affair last autumn, the case of a former council member who was struck off for overcharging a client by £131,000, the society has taken steps to improve the complaints procedures.

● The Law Society is to appoint today its own solicitor to take over the running of a company in Cornwall after a five-day investigation by accountants made when the firm's solicitor disappeared.

The solicitor, Mr James Double, aged 35, a former policeman, failed to return to his practice after a holiday in Ibiza.

The society investigated at the request of Mr Tony Godden, the managing clerk of the firm, Doubles.

# Thatcher Belgrano denial supported

**By Philip Webster, Political Reporter**

Admiral of the Fleet Lord Lewin, former Chief of the Defence Staff and a member of the war Cabinet during the Falklands war, said yesterday that the Prime Minister was telling the truth in saying that she knew nothin of the Peruvian peace proposals until after the General Belgrano was sunk on May 2, 1982.

Lord Lewin was appearing in a Thames Television programme about the sinking, during which a tape-recording was played of an interview by a journalist with Mr Alexander Haig, the former American Secretary of State. In it he said that the British Ambassador in Lima was with President Belaunde of Peru as he negotiated on the telephone with Mr Haig, and was reporting back to London.

Mr Tam Dalyell, Labour MP for Linlithgow, who was also on the programme and always claimed that the Belgrano was sunk to ensure the failure of the Peruvian initiative, described the recording as "staggering new evidence" which showed that the Prime Minister's statement that the first indications of the Peruvian peace proposals reached London three hours after the Belgrano was sunk could not be true.

But Lord Lewin said: "Mrs Thatcher is telling the truth. She did not know anything at all about the Peruvian peace proposals until after midnight that night after the Belgrano was sunk." He did not suggest that Mr Haig was lying, but the memory was notoriously fickle.

He added that even if they had known something about the peace talks in his view it would have made no difference

# Closure of second plant sought

**By Patricia Clough**

An MP called yesterday for the closure of a Re-Chem International waste-processing plant near Pontypool, which is blamed by local residents for diseased and dying animals and health complaints in humans.

The demand by Mr Leo Abse (Labour, Torfaen) comes after Monday's announcement of the closure of another plant owned by Re-Chem at Bonnybridge, Central Scotland. Re-Chem said the reasons were financial and strongly denied taht the decision was influenced by allegations that the plant was releasing highly-toxic dioxins into the environment.

In a letter to Mr Nicholas Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales, Mr Abse asked for the plant at New Inn, south of Pontypool, to be closed pending a public inquiry to determine whether it was safe.

He also asked Mr Edwards to prevent the company diverting dangerous toxic wastes from Bonnybridge for processing at New Inn.

Mr Colin Haines, a farmer who lives about five miles from the–New Inn plant, has complained that 44 sheep died before lambing, 77 wasted away and his Charollais cows contracted hideous sores, wasted away and died. He says three other farmers in the areas have similar difficulties which are akin to those of farmers at Bonnybridge.

Local people also have complained of dizziness, stiff joints, nose-bleeds and cold symptons even in summer.

Parliamentary test results have cleared Re-Chem International's South Wales plant of polluting soil in the local area, the company claimed yesterday.

# Devolution revived by Labour

A Scottish assembly with power to vary income tax levels for people living in Scotland and to raise funds for its own use are among the main points in a Green Paper on devolution issued yesterday by the Scottish parliamentary group of Labour MPs.

Mr John Maxton, MP for Glasgow Cathcart, the group's chairman, said that it was "the most thoroughly thought-out document by any political party on tackling the problems of devolution".

He predicted that the Scottish assembly could be a fact by 1990 if Labour was returned to power at the next general election.

The Green Paper claims that the people of Scotland recorded a clear vote in favour of the Scottish assembly when the referendum was held in 1979, but that all hope of further progress "was buried when the Scottish National Pary and the Liberals combined with the Tories to defeat Labour, and Mrs Thatcher was returned at the subsequent election".

It adds that "despite this setback, the case for a devolved assembly is as compelling and as urgent as ever".

The shadow Secretary of State for Scotland, Mr Donald Dewar, MP for Glasgow Garscadden, said at a conference in Glasgow to discuss the Green Paper: "It reopens the debate and is a consultative process about the way we will develop – it is a strong, concise and clear document of our position."







Concert debut: Jane Glover rehearsing with the London Mozart Players yesterday for her inaugural concert today as artistic director of the orchestra at the Royal Festival Hall. (Photograph: John Voos).

# State firms proposal condemned

**By Our Political Reporter**

**The Government's proposals to tighten ministerial control of the nationalized industries were condemned yesterday by Mr Peter Shore, the Opposition spokesman on trade and industry, as an attempt to crush their independence while at the same time keeping Parliament out of their affairs.**

**Mr Shore said the idea behind the plan seemed to be to transfer powers from board members back to ministers. If this had been accompanied by a corresponding increase in their accountability to Parliament there would have been something to the proposals, but what was being put forward was "just not on", he said.**

**Mr Shore said that the Cabinet ministers who were in charge of the nationalized industries were not equipped or competent to run them.**

**"I do not think it makes sense to try to run the nationalized industries from the minister's private office."**

**There was a marked reluctance among ministers yesterday to comment on the proposed new legislation, revealed in a leaked copy of a letter from Mr James Driscoll, director of the Nationalized Industries' Chairmen's Group, to his colleagues.**

**Although Whitehall sources continued to insist yesterday that the proposed Bill would be essentially a tidying-up operation, bringing up to date and codifying various pieces of legislation affecting the state industries, it was accepted that the introduction of powers for ministers to hire and fire board members would be a new departure.**

**It was also accepted that such proposals were not popular with the state industry chairman and may indeed have inspired the leak of Mr Driscoll's letter.**

**The Treasury confirmed yesterday that consultation on a proposed Bill had been taking place.**

## Chairmen fear interference by ministers

**Most of Britain's nationalized industry chairmen would probably express extreme disquiet at what many see as "creeping politicization" of their industries under the terms of the proposed Treasury legislation (Our Industrial Correspondent writes).**

**Most fear that in spite of the Government's desire to see state corporations run on strict commercial lines, the proposals would lead to greater centralized interference and place their operations under the direct control of ministers.**

**There is also clear concern among the chairmen that a single Act replacing the 40 existing statutes governing the activities of nationalized industries would distance them from direct parliamentary scrutiny and control and strengthen an individual minister's powers.**

**The proposal to give ministers more power to dismiss board members and lay down their terms of appointment is also worrying the chairmen. The result, it is said, could be to develop "tame" boards whose members simply do as they are told, or to create a whole network of political appointments.**

## Police chiefs resist cuts

# Sale of horses may be illegal

**By Michael Horsnell**

The Home Secretary yesterday warned the Labour-controlled South Yorkshire police authority that its controversial plan to sell police horses used to control miners' pickets could be in breach of the Police Act, 1964.

Mr Leon Brittan said he viewed with grave concern the proposal to disband the area's mounted police section and halve the police dog unit, which has 34 dogs.

In spite of the warning, the Labour group executive, which has been accused of acting vindictively in support of the miners, agreed yesterday to the recommendation of the police committee to disband the mounted branch.

But the executive decided to defer the implementation of the decision until a meeting between Mr Brittan and Mr George Moores, chairman of the police authority.

This will take place in London on September 25, and followed by a full meeting of the county council the next day.

As the controversy intensified yesterday, up to a dozen of the threatened horses were ridden into action to protect 170 policemen from 4,000 angry pickets who tried to stop eight miners getting into work at Kiveton Colliery, near Rotherham.

The police faced a barrage of missiles, including rocks, bags of paint stripper, an animal bladder filled with urine, and used contraceptives, but, managed to hold back the pickets.

The horses, which the authority wants to sell as part of what it says is a cost-cutting exercise to pay for policing the dispute, were twice brought in at walking pace.

Chief Supt John Nesbit, who was at the scene, said: "There was a concerted push by the pickets and, without the horses, we would not have been able to hold the line with the number of officers on duty."

Mr Peter Wright, Chief Constable of South Yorkshire, who is resisting the instruction to sell the 18 horses in the mounted section, is understood to have been in close touch with the Home Office through the Inspectors of Constabulary.

In a message to Mr John Harris, chief executive of the county council, the Home Secretary said he had been advised by the Inspectors of Constabulary that the moves against the mounted police and dogs sections would be "gravely detrimental to the efficiency of the force and that, in present circumstances, they would severely reduce the force's ability to discharge its responsibilities".

Because of the implications for the discharge of the authority's duties under the Police Act, the Home Secretary asked the authority to reconsider its plans and pointed out that he reserved the right to take whatever action was necessary under his own duty under the Act.

But the Home Office was unable to say last night what legal action might be open to Mr Brittan if the authority failed to comply.

Mr Moores said: "We have been pleading for a meeting with Mr Brittan for the past three months and it has taken the issue over the horses and dogs units to persuade him to make up his mind. In view of the seriousness of the situation, the Labour group looks forward to the meeting in order to take what action is necessary in the face of the financial situation."

The group has asked the chief constable to recommend ways of saving the £1.25m it has cost the authority to police the miners' dispute in the area, though the disbanding of the mounted unit was its own suggestion.

The future of the horses, if they are sold, remained uncertain, although police sources said they were most likely to be sold to other forces.

The Home Secretary later met a delegation of nine from the Greater Manchester Police Authority protesting about the high cost of its commitment to policing the strike.

Under threat: police horses on duty at Sheffield United's football ground last Saturday.

# 'Robbing Peter to pay Paul'

Mr Kenneth Oxford, chief constable of Merseyside, yesterday accused a Labour county council of blocking his force's fight against crime.

He said: "We will be so short of officers on the streets soon, we will need cardboard cutouts to make up the numbers".

His outburst followed a £750,000 package of cuts from the police budget by Merseyside County Council. The biggest reduction is £342,000 from the overtime allowance.

The council announced the cuts to offset a bill of more than £1m for policing the pit strike.

After the special police committee meeting, Mr Oxford said: "It makes community policing go out of the window. A few years ago, we had 11 murders in December.

"How are we going to cope with that sort of situation without overtime? We will hold on to Toxteth but we will have to cut back elsewhere. It is robbing Peter to pay Paul".

The chairman of the Merseyside police federation, Mr George Creichton, said: "We will have a devil of a job. We struggle enough without the cuts in overtime. There are bound to be less policemen available on the streets."

The remaining £408,000 will be cut from administration and communications and by scrapping a £300,000 emergency fund.

The Labour group complained the cuts had been made because the Government had not given the necessary cash help to cover policing the dispute.

The deputy leader, Mr Harry Rimmer said: "The Government has shown a complete lack of understanding of the state of affairs on Merseyside." The leader of the opposition Conservatives, Mr Neville Goldrein, accused Labour of sacrificing law and order on the altar of the left.

● More policemen are going on the beat in Lincolnshire under a major reorganzation of the force announced yesterday by the chief constable, Mr Stanley Crump.

● A total of 181 men and women have asked to join the Special Constabulary in Sussex since the chief constable of Sussex, Mr Roger Birch, launched a recruiting drive for more specials three weeks ago.

# Solid fuel oil added to coal to save stocks

**By David Young**

Heavy fuel oil is being added to coal being burnt in the Central Electricity Generating Board's coal-fired power stations as part of a drive to extend the life of coal stocks at the stations well into next year.

Normally small quantities of heavy fuel oil are added to the coal furnaces to stabilize heat output. However, the board is understood to be increasing oil deliveries to the coal-fired power stations and feeding it into the furnaces at higher than normal levels.

The board yesterday refused to comment. Its policy during the miners' dispute has been to say that coal stocks are adequate, but it has admitted that stocks rose early this month as deliveries from working pits in the Midlands arrived at power stations and oil and nuclear power stations bore the brunt of electricity demand.

● Nine out of 10 miners reported for work in some Staffordshire collieries yesterday as the drift back to the pits continued in the county. The day shift attendance totalled 3,412, nearly 200 up on the previous day.

A National Coal Board spokesman said: "Ninety-two per cent of miners reported for work at Silverdale colliery, 90 per cent at Florence and a record 84 per cent at Holditch colliery."

● More violence flared in the South Yorkshire coalfield yesterday, ending in 18 arrests. The homes of two working miners were besieged by strikers and police were pelted with stones and "bombs" of a corrosive fluid.

In spite of a picket of an estimated 3,700 men, police escorted eight miners to work at Kiveton Park colliery, near Rotherham.

# Trade unionists returning to Labour fold

**By Our Political Reporter**

The Labour Party is recovering its traditional backing among trade unionists, although fewer than half would support it at a general election, according to an opinion poll carried out for *The Times* by MORI.

Fewer than four in 10 trade unionists backed Labour at the 1983 general election, but in the poll, carried out earlier this month, 48 per cent of trade unionists said they would vote Labour (a figure similar to that which supported the party at the 1979 election) 30 per cent Conservative and 19 per cent Alliance.

The two main parties approach their annual conferences with the Conservatives holding a one per cent lead over Labour.

The poll, conducted between September 6-10 and involving 1,810 voters in 170 constituencies throughout Britain, showed the Conservatives with 40 per cent support, Labour 39 per cent and the Alliance with 19 per cent.

Under Mr Neil Kinnock, Labour has improved from its 28 per cent showing in June, 1983, and the Alliance has fallen from 26 per cent. Despite an uncomfortable year, the Conservatives have dropped only four points.

The Conservatives hold a 5 per cent lead among women voters. Labour a 2 per cent lead among men.

In the 18-24 age group Labour has a 7 per cent lead.

The Conservatives hold a confortable lead among people aged over 45, which widens to over 10 per cent among those aged over 65.

Dr David Owen's efforts to maintain a separate identity for the Social Democratic Party appear to be having a limited effect on the voters.



# Sale goes through of Black Mountain

The Black Mountain in Dyfed was sold yesterday for a price believed to be about £500,000 after an extraordinary legal wrangle.

The sale of the 22,325-acre mountain went ahead after the High Court set aside an order postponing it.

After bidding failed to reach the £455,000 reserve price at the Kensington Hilton hotel in London, the auctioneers withdrew the mountain from sale. Then two prospective buyers came forward and separate negotiations continued behind closed doors.

Half an hour later the auctioneer, Mr Robin Cripp, of Barnard Marcus, disclosed that a sale had been agreed. But the price and the name of the buyer was kept secret. Mr Cripp said: "All I can say is that the buyer is British."

The sale of the Black Mountain was halted on Monday when the Egyptian millionaire, Mr Oncy Nathan, obtained a court order preventing auctioneers from disposing of the peak.

Mr Nathan had bid successfully for the mountain estate in April but the deal fell through when the owners' agent claimed that Mr Nathan was unable to complete the purchase.

The seller, Mr Brian Randall, a London-based chartered engineer, bought the property from the Cawdor Estate for £285,000 a year ago.

Since then, and Mr Nathan's bid, mineral deposits, including an estimated 100,000 tons of coal, have been discovered on the land. The National Coal Board and the National Trust were understood to have been interested in buying the mountain.

## Aesop edition fetches £15,000

The first printed edition of *Aesop's Fables* was sold in London for £15,000 yesterday. The book, printed in Basle in 1501 with 194 woodcuts, was the most expensive item in the first part of the sale of the huge collection of the London collector Mr W. R. Jeudwine by Bloomsbury Book Auctions, who died earlier this year.

The auction of fifteenth and sixteenth century editions fetched a total of £250,000, a sum expected to be equalled when Bloomsbury sells the remainder of the collection, covering the seventeenth to twentieth centuries, on September 29.

## Man for trial on manor charge

Richard Haynes, aged 30, was yesterday committed in custody to Reading Crown Court for trial accused of burglary at Waddesdon Manor, near Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, in May last year.

He is also charged with escaping from Norwich Prison; causing grievous bodily harm to two police officers with intent to resist arrest; escaping from a police station; burgling three chemist's shops; and possession of heroin with intent to supply.

## Ferry fares investigation

The office of Fair Trading is to refer two ferry operators to the Restrictive Practices Court over fairs on two passenger/car ferry groups between Northern Ireland and mainland Britain.

The OFT director, Sir Gordon Borrie, has confirmed that investigations have been made into the identical fares charged in 1982 on the ostensibly competing Townsend Thoresen and Sealink services between Larne and the Scottish ports of Cairnryan and Stranraer.

## Railway track vandal jailed

Brendan Bowman, aged 24, who was living rough by the track near Rugby, Warwickshire, disconnected the rail on the Manchester to London line and levered it four inches out of line using a crowbar, Warwick Crown Court was told yesterday.

He put the lives of passengers at risk by his mindless vandalism because he was bored, the court heard. Bowman was jailed for four years after admitting damaging the railway joint.

# Patients at new special hospital give their views to the press

**Patients in the new Park Lane Special Hospital, at Maghull, near Liverpool, which houses some of Britain's most dangerous psychiatric patients, were allowed to speak to the press yesterday. Peter Davenport reports.**

"David" is 25 years old, tall and lean, and a shock of black curly hair frames his bearded face. He is articulate, and readily tells of his graduation from Nottingham University with a degree in philosophy.

"Then I got into drugs. I tried to poke my eyes out. Another time I cut off the end of my nose, and when they let me home from hospital I killed my grandmother."

In a matter-of-fact way he recalls why he is one of the 260 patients at Park Lane, Britain's first purpose-built special hospital for those whose mental inadequacies make them dangerous.

In a plush theatre, "David" is one of a dozen patients among members of staff in a semi-circle of orange seats. In the tiers where the audience would sit are the journalists. It looked like a university seminar until you remembered why the men like "David" were there.

"People have got to understand", "David" said, "that there is a certain percentge of society, of people, who will offend and we are just a small part of that section.

"We have problems and people have got to accept that it is being too idealistic to expect 100 per cent behaviour all the time."

"Edward" is a bus driver sent to Park Lane after killing several people when he suffered a mental breakdown while behind the wheel. Clearly agitated, he maintained that in spite of his four-and-a-half years in special hospitals no one had found any reason why he should still be there.

A middle-aged patient who chose not to give his name or the reason why he was there was upset about media coverage.

"When someone absconds, the stories always say the place is full of murderers, rapists or mentally ill. Well, we're not all murderers or rapists but we all suffer by these reports when it comes to rehabilitation or the chance to visit outside.

"Some of us only offended for 10 minutes out of our lives perhaps 15 years ago, but we are made to suffer."

The exercise seemed intended to display that special hospital patients condemned by the public as hopeless cases were capable of rational, ordered discussion.

It was also an example of the trust between patient and staff which is a vital part of the system at Park Lane.

It lies behind a 20ft concrete wall topped by an anti-scaling device known as the "bird's beak" which defeated attempts by an army assault squad to climb it. Its foundations are 10ft deep to deter tunnelling.

Inside the 52-acre site is an elaborate system of security checks for visitors with a series of electronically operated doors. Patients are constantly observed by the 550 staff, including female nurses, although all the patients are male.

There is a 20-metre swimming pool, squash courts, tennis courts, football and cricket pitches, a bowling green and a running track. There is a theatre and a shop where patients can spend the money they earn, up to £17 a week, from tasks in the workshops.

Each accommodation block, containing 25 single bedrooms, has a television room, library and full-size table tennis and snooker tables.

Patients can be referred to Park Lane in several different ways, but about 70 per cent havve been sent by the courts after offences ranging from the comparatively trivial to rape and murder.

Among those to have been treated in the unit – work first began on the buildings in 1976 – have been the Buckingham Palace intruder, Michael Fagan, the mass killer and arsonist, Bruce Lee, and the poisoner, Graham Young.

One method of treating persistent sexual offenders was displayed during the visit yesterday. A man with several convictions for offences against young girls has been allowed to sit in a laboratory and look at pictures of young girls, superimposed with those of a mature woman.

The staff claims that it has worked a remarkable change in his mental attitude.

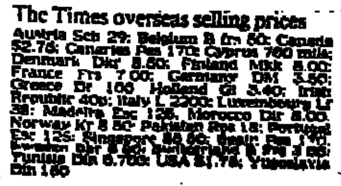
## Teacher sold killer drug

An A level teacher at an Oxford tutorial college dealt in heroin which killed a man, Oxford Crown Court was told yesterday. Jane Wilcox, aged 31, of Bardwell Road, Oxford, and her husband Christopher, aged 29, both admitted using, possessing and supplying heroin and cannabis.

Mr Desmond Fennell, the recorder, said he blamed Wilcox's husband for most of their offences. He ordered her to carry out 240 hours community service. Her husband was given a two-year jail sentence, 12 months of which were suspended.

## Car parts firm cuts 1,000 jobs

Automotive Products, one of Britain's leading car components manufacturers is to shed a thousand jobs, nearly a quarter of its workforce. The company, which employs 4,500 people manufacturing clutches brakes and steering systems, say most of the redundancies will be at Leamington and Banbury plants but three smaller factories in the Birmingham area will also be affected.



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# Family break-up rather than TV, blamed for child delinquency

**By Tony Samstag**

Instability and violence in family life, not on television, is to blame for increasing numbers of young people in trouble with the law, according to a report published yesterday.

In his introduction to the annual *Children Today* report compiled by the National Children's Home, its chairman, Lord Tonypandy, formerly Mr George Thomas, Speaker of the House of Commons, writes: "The figures tell an appalling tale of suffering, of children from unsatisfactory home conditions and of children deprived both of opportunity and of love."

On the question of television, the report quotes recent findings suggesting little support for "the idea that television has replaced more traditional leisure pursuits".

On the contrary "it has been found that television enlarged the vocabulary of children, as well as increasing the range of subjects and activities in which they became interested".

The causal connexion between television violence and violent behaviour in children is dismissed as "fairly weak" and possibly limited to children who were more than naturally aggressive in the first place.

Studies quoted "suggested that a disturbed family relationship was a much more likely precursor of delinquency than was the act of watching violence".

The report notes that there are 159,000 divorces a year in Britain affecting 170,000 children, 42,000 of them under five years old and 113,000 under 11. Many parents themselves are virtually children: 70,000 divorces last year involved marriages where one partner was less than 20 years old at the time of the wedding.

A third of the 90,000 illegitimate births in England and Wales each year (almost a sixth of all births) are to mothers under 20, outnumbering the legitimate births in that age group by about 2,000. Of 136,000 legal abortions each year in Britain, more than 33,000 are to girls aged 16 to 19.

Launching the report in the absence of Lord Tonypandy, who has been ill, Mr Len Murray, former general secretary of the TUC and the new vice president of the National Children's Home, said the statistics in the report were "throbbing with the pain of humanity" set against a background of unemployment.

The report notes that more than a quarter of the children in Britain, 3,700,000, are living in low-income families, with almost half of those on or below supplementary benefit level

There are about 20,000 children in care awaiting adoption, few of whom can hope to get out before they are 18: after six months in care the chance of returning to their natural families is only *one in four*. Adoptions have declined in the past 10 years from 23,000 to 11,000 annually.

An eighth of all families with children are one-parent families: since 1981 the number of children with one parent has increased from one million to 1,600,000.

*Children Today*. 1984 edition. (National Children's Home, 85 *Highbury Park, London N5* 1UD).



Mr Len Murray playing with children from the National Children's Home project in London yesterday before presenting the report (Photograph: John Manning)

# Jim Fixx 'died of addiction to jogging'

**By Thomson Prentice Science Correspondent**

The world's leading advocate of jogging, Mr Jim Fixx, ran himself to death because he had become addicted to the exercise, according to medical specialists.

Mr Fixx, author of the best-selling *Complete Book of Running*, died on July 20 of a heart attack while on his daily run in the United States. He was 52.

He had been running about 10 miles a day since the age of 35, when he was overweight and smoking 40 cigarettes a day. But according to Dr Edward Colt, former medical director of the New York City marathon, Mr Fixx was one of a group of "hard-core" running addicts.

"He ran himself to death. It could happen to anybody who is immoderately committed to jogging," Dr Colt says in a programme in the Yorkshire Television series, *Where there's Life*, broadcast on Independent television tonight.

Last week Dr Bruce Davies, of the department of human kinetics at Salford University, said that people were dying as a result of taking badly prescribed exercise.

Dr Colt says: "There is a small group of people who never learn. They are the hard-core addicts, brutal task-masters to themselves.

In the same programme, an American cardiologist, Dr George Sheen, says: "There are days when your body doesn't want to go out and run. Jim Fixx had the warning signals of chest pain but he tried to run through them. He should have paid attention to his body, not his mind."

Dr Davies told the annual conference of the British Association for the Advancement of Science: "Exercise is a drug, it acts like a drug and it has a profound influence on the mind and body.

# Armed raids by Stock Exchange member

A member of the Stock Exchange developed a "Jekyll and Hyde" personality change and carried out two armed raids, the Central Criminal Court was told yesterday.

Andrew Lerner, aged 26, formerly of Morley Crescent, Edgware, North West London, and now of Hove Park Way, Hove, East Sussex, was sentenced to seven year's imprisonment.

Judge Hazan, QC, told him: "To you must belong the very dubious distinction of being the first member of the Stock Exchange, and I do hope the last, to appear in this court on such grave charges".

Mrs Rosamond Keating, for the prosecution, said Lerner took to crime to try to repay £12,000 he had misappropriated from the City stockbroking firm for which he worked.

He pleaded guilty to stealing a pistol and ammunition from the Stock Exchange Gun Club, attempting to rob a woman in Mill Hill, North West London, and using the pistol during a £13,000 burglary at the home of a woman in Hendon, North West London.

Mr Ivan Lawrence, QC, for the defence, said Lerner had developed a serious "Jekyll and Hyde" personality change

# Judge's warning on video nasties

David Hamilton-Grant, aged 45, a director of Marylebone, London, had his 18-month sentence reduced to 12, with six months suspended, by the Court of Appeal yesterday after his conviction for having an obscene video, *Nightmares in a Damaged Brain*, for gain.

But Lord Justice O'Connor issued a warning that if those in senior company positions were caught organizing and making money out of a trade recognized as being a disturbing feature of society, courts would deal harshly with them.

# Hitch in cheap air fares to Germany

**By Michael Baily, Transport Editor**

A new cheap air fares package between Britain and West Germany is in danger of collapse, a few days before it is due to come into operation.

Hundreds of passengers who have already booked flights from October may be disappointed, because the British and West German Governments have still not agreed on the role to be played by British Caledonian.

In a virtual replay of the Anglo-Dutch fracas earlier this year, the West German Government has approved a range of heavily restricted cheap fares from British Airways and Lufthansa, but has refused British Caledonian's attempt to offer similar fares without the restrictions.

The British Government, which supports British Caledonian in the general interest of cheaper fares and more competition on European routes, has retaliated by refusing the British Airways and Lufthansa fares until overall agreement has been reached.

The Anglo-Ductch fares dispute was eventually resolved after a meeting between Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for Transport, and his opposite number in The Netherlands, but so far no ministerial meetings are planned in the Anglo-German dispute.

British Airways and Lufthansa are offering about a third off cheap returns to a range of destinations: £55 London to Düsseldorf/Cologne (was £87); £66 to Bremen (£103); £69 to Frankfurt (£108); £74 to Hamburg (£115); £75 to Stuttgart (£117); £88 to Munich (£137); and £97 to Berlin (£154).

Several hundred passengers have already booked flights, subject to government approval of the fares. They must book at least 14 days in advance, and spend the weekend at their destination.

# Man in ward is charged with murder

A man recovering from gunshot wounds was charged in hospital yesterday with murdering a police constable and with the attempted murder of a sergeant. A private ward at Essex County Hospital, Colchester, will be turned into a court today for the first hearing.

Colin Richards, aged 35, of Sandpit Lane, South Weald, Brentwood, Essex, was charged with murdering Police Constable Brian Bishop, aged 37; the attempted murder of Sergeant Mervyn Fairweather, aged 39; robbery of the post office at Walton-on-the-Naze, Essex; and assault with intent to rob at Frinton-on-Sea, Essex, all on August 22.

Richards was further charged with robbery of the Woolwich Building Society, Chelmsford, Essex, on August 27, 1982; robbery of Lloyds Bank, Romford, Essex, on March 1, 1983; and possession of a firearm at Romford on that date with intent to endanger life.

# Women's fight for job equality

**By Patricia Clough**

"You must be lesbian. Normal women don't do it." "You are only doing this to find a husband." "You should be at home having babies."

Those remarks greeted trained women carpenters when they sought jobs or started work with men.

They were published yesterday by the Women's National Commission, a government advisory body with a long list of proposals to combat prejudice, and improve women's training and opportunities in non-traditional fields.

The commission criticized the Government's policy of improving training for all and giving "equal access" for men and women. "The result is a training policy for men and a dead end for women", it said.

Special attention should be given to the specific problems of women who have probably not been encouraged to take the right subjects at school, work part-time or need retraining after child-rearing.

It urged unions, employers, government bodies, parents and educational institutions to fight prejudice and encourage women to branch out into new fields, particularly the new technological industries.

The commission's report, and a survey published simultaneously by the Industrial Society, rejected a long-standing prejudice by declaring that it is financially sound for firms to encourage women by promotion and allowing for childbirth breaks.

*The Other Half of Our Future* (Women's National Commission, Cabinet Office, London SW1).

*Jobs or Career?* (Industrial Society, Pepperrell Unit, Robert Hyde House, 48, Bryanston Square, London W1H 7LN).

# Anglia plans push button shopping

**By Bill Johnstone Technology Correspondent**

Shoppers in Northampton will be able to buy items by transferring the payment electronically in seconds from their building society accounts from next spring.

The service is being tested by the Northampton-based Anglia Building Society which has more than half the 170,000 residents in the area as customers. Each customer will be issued with special cards which are used in conjunction with the society's electronic terminals.

The system, called Electronic Funds Transfer at Point of Sale (Eftpos), allows instant access to the building society's computer which authorizes or cancels the purchase.

The cards, which can also be used on the building society's cash dispensers, will be issued on request to those customers with a minimum of £100 on account. Two hundred terminals will be installed at a variety of retail outlets. Each transaction will cost the retailer 5p

A watch which belonged to the opera singer Maria Callas, which comes to auction at Phillips in London next Tuesday.

# Murder charge

Mark Anthony Alderson, aged 21, a gravedigger, of Peregrine Road, Sunbury, Surrey, was remanded in custody until Friday by magistrates at Slough, Berkshire, yesterday, charged, along with persons unknown, with murdering Mr Puran Singh Vig, aged 61, at his sub-post office in Wraysbury, Berkshire, last week. A second man, aged 24, has also been charged with the murder and will appear at court this morning.

# Minister robbed

Detectives in Dublin are investigating a break-in at the home of Mr Peter Sutherland, Attorney General of the Irish Republic and Irish EEC Commissioner designate.

Thieves entered his home in a Dublin suburb in spite of a round-the-clock police watch on the building. Jewels and foreign currency were stolen.

# Festival prize

The three millionth visitor to the International Garden Festival, Liverpool was Claire Banks, aged 21, who was visiting yesterday with her friend Kath Burns, aged 24, both from Merseyside. They win a week-long holiday in Florida. The festival closes on October 14.

# Sizewell record

The inquiry into the proposed Sizewell B nuclear power station in Suffolk, which began in January last year, passed the record of 258 days of sitting yesterday set by the inquiry into Stansted as London's third Airport.

# Dorset award

The Purbeck coast of Dorset yesterday received the council of Europe's diploma for conservation. It is Britain's fourth conservation area to earn the award since the scheme started in 1966.

# Zoo manure

Paignton Zoo in Devon is to sell 200 tons of animal manure to gardeners at 35p a bag in an effort to increase its takings.

# Trainer cleared after lion chews off man's arm

Mr Martin Lacey, a lion trainer who supervised the lion scenes in the film *American Werewolf in London*, was yesterday found, not guilty of two charges under the Health and Safety Act after a lion ate a disabled man's arm on a farm near Liverpool.

Mr Robert Holmes, aged 26, a mentally retarded epileptic, was savaged by Massai, a 10-year-old circus lion kept in a caged trailer, the Crosby Magistrates' Court was told.

Mr Simon Parrington, for the prosecution, said that the lion grabbed Mr Holmes's hand through a six inch gap at the bottom of the cage which he said was closed after the incident.

Mr Lacey, aged 42, of Bankhead Farm, Warrington Road, Bowheath, Widnes in Cheshire, said he made every effort to warn people away from the trailer parked in Little Crosby while a circus was in town.

William Gordon Smith a health and safety officer told the court that in his opinion the barrier was unsatisfactory.

Mr Holmes, of Delph Road, Little Crosby, told the court he had been looking in a builders' skip next to the trailer which housed four lions. He said: "I turned round and a lion grabbed my arm. It started chewing my arm off." He was taken to hospital and his left arm was amputated.

Mr Rex Makin for Mr Holmes, said after the hearing that he would pursue a civil claim for damages against Mr Lacey regardless of the Court decision

# 'Guests' at marriage were police

Fred King, aged 35, a lorry driver, was arrested seconds before he was scheduled to be married. As he waited with his "bride" at Finsbury Town Hall, London, three smartly-dressed strangers appeared, all wearing carnations. But they were not guests. They were from a newly-formed Scotland Yard unit investigating the growing "racket" in arranged marriages, Clerkenwell magistrates were told yesterday.

King was taken to a police station, leaving Yaa Twewaah, a Ghanaian seamstress, in distress, Det Con Bernard Cambi said. King, a divorced father of two children, of Balben Path, Hackney, London, pleaded guilty to perjury – making a false statement by giving a fake address for the purposes of marriage. He was given a three-month jail sentence suspended for three years.

Det Con Cambi revealed that arranged marriages have become "so serious" in London and other big cities in Britain that special police units are checking registry office lists to investigate details being given by foreigners and the men or women they intend marrying.

AMSTERDAM (Reuter) – Dutch police arrested 11 suspected members of an international gang which arranges marriages of convenience between Ghanaian women and Dutch men.

Police believe the Dutch end of the organization has carried out about 2,000 such marriages during the past six years,

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# 'Scrounging for cash must stop'

A stern warning that the party could no longer "scrounge" for cash was delivered by Mr David Evans, chairman of the Finance and Administration Board. He said that if Liberals wanted to get their hands on political power they had to stop pussy-footing about and raise their financial sights.

After a sometimes heated debate, the assembly carried a national executive committee recommendation to increase the constituency affiliation fee in England from £200 to £300 for 1985. Payment of the fee qualifies a constituency for 50 free membership cards. Extra ones will cost £2 each.

A second committee motion setting a recommended minimum subscription rate in England for 1985 of £7.50 a member was carried by 299 votes to 291.

Mr Evans said Liberals had to show they took their politics seriously

● But for a contribution from the Euro Fund and two donations, all totalling £116,000, the party would have had a far worse deficit than the £1,802 with which it ended 1983, Mr Anthony Jacobs, joint treasurer, said.

## Delegates also agreed . . .

**● To campaign for a "no" vote in the ballots which will decide whether trade unions should have political funds. Under the Trade Union Act, 1984, such ballots must be held by March 1986, and delegates carried a motion calling on the party's national executive committee to organize such a campaign.**

**● To put off until next year's assembly a decision on the party's continued membership of the Federation of European Liberals and Democrats (ELD). They will await the outcome of a thorough review of the position and defeated a move to pull out immediately.**



Three's company: Mr Paddy Ashdown relaxing on the beach with his wife, Jane, and daughter, Kate, who work with the MP as a team (Photograph: Harry Kerr).

# Rodgers against fresh share-out of Alliance seats for next election

Reports by Barbara Day, Anthony Hodges and Stephen Goodwin

Mr William Rodgers, vice-president of the Social Democratic Party, spoke out against any fresh share-out of seats between the SDP and Liberal candidates before the next general election when he addressed the Liberal Party Assembly at Bournemouth yesterday.

Each of the Alliance partners should lead in the seats in which they led in 1983, Mr Rodgers told his audience.

His remarks drew isolated shouts of "rubbish" from parts of the conference but Mr Rodgers said that such a course would make best sense, cause least fuss and win the Alliance much public credit.

"I still hope that there will not be too many changes in the 300 or more seats each party fights – and we must each fight that number", he said.

He conceded there were bound to be misunderstandings from time to time and occasional disputes between the Alliance partners. "Politics attracts some odd characters and neither of our parties is immune. But overwhelmingly – at least I speak for the SDP – our members now take the Alliance for granted.

"They know it is here to stay. That is the starting point for discussion about the details of our relationship. Our Alliance is permanent", Mr Rodgers said to applause.

He recalled that 12 months ago there was argument in both parties about merger. Whatever opinion polls might say, whatever pressure groups within their parties might propose, there would be no merger before the next general election. And no one could foresee what would make best sense to their members in four years' time.

"I suggest we leave that particular question alone and concentrate on making our present partnership strong."

The Alliance was a complementary partnership and it must remain an equal one, Mr Rodgers said.

He hoped that the two parties would campaign on issues together. The exchange of ideas and informal discussion of policy should go on between all their members.

"We need not, at this stage, expect to reach precise agreement on everything but we can come to understand – and to learn from – another point of view.

"In the interest of the Alliance, we shall eventually have to make a conscious decision to lean towards each other on some issues, giving the benefit of the doubt where a policy position has long been central to the Liberal Party or was fundamental to the establishment of the SDP."

Mr Rogers said that the Alliance was not out to win votes, influence and power just for the fun of it, nor to win for the sake of office or vanity.

"We are here to win because we accept the responsibility that lies beyond winning.

"Only if we behave like a future government of Britain, will we ever become one. We owe it to our country to look to 1988 as our opportunity, and to fight without reservation to win."

**The steering committee has accepted an emergency motion for debate later in the week on Government secrecy and the sinking of the General Belgrano.**

**The motion, whose mover is yet to be named, states that "this assembly, disturbed at reports that senior ministers have misled the House of Commons, condemns the withholding of full and accurate information on the sinking of the Belgrano in May, 1982, and calls upon the Liberal Party to press for a full and impartial inquiry with the Government providing necessary information, and censures the Government for its handling of the matter".**

# Steel looks to era after Reagan and Chernenko

Mr David Steel, leader of the Liberal Party, made his first speech of the conference at parliamentary question time when he was asked if he had detected any change in the Russian attitude to East-West relations during his visit to the Soviet Union.

"I would like to be able to answer yes," he told his questioner, Mrs Doreen Elliott a former chairman of the Liberal Parliamentary Association, "but the truth is no, I did not detect any particular change."

Despite that disappointing aspect, he thought it had been right to have made the visit, something that no other party had done during the period of President Andropov's rule. Mrs Thatcher and Sir Geoffrey Howe had wasted four years before they made their first visit behind the Iron Curtain.

It was unfortunate that the fate of mankind should at present rest with two elderly gentlemen, President Reagan and President Chernenko. "We wish it was in the hands of people with a rather longer term personal interest in it," he said to loud applause.

"I suspect we will not see a constructive improvement politically in East-West relations until this Reagan-Chernenko era is past and we have younger leaders in both countries."

Although he had not had an opportunity to meet any of the younger members of the Politburo he believed there was a younger generation of leaders coming up and the hope must be that they would be men with fresh ideas, less hidebound and less wary about the past.

Mr Steel declined to answer a questioner who asked him to consider the possibility of appointing a Shadow Alliance Cabinet to help to weld SDP and Liberal MPs into a closer team in Parliament.

Instead, Mr Alan Beith, Liberal chief whip and MP for Berwick-upon-Tweed, indicating that Mr Steel thought it was an inappropriate matter for discussion at the conference, emphasized the remarkable progress made in the day-to-day cooperation between the Alliance MPs.

● The Greater London Council had become a personal battleground between Mrs Margeret Thatcher and Mr Ken Livingstone and neither could be trusted, Mr Simon Hughes, MP for Southwark and Bermondsey, and party spokesman on the environment, said during the question and answer session. Local government and democracy were not safe in the hands of either Mrs Thatcher or Mr Livingstone.

The Liberal Party had been committed for decades to regional government, including government across London, and it was the only party able to be an effective opposition on this subject because its record allowed it to say it had been consistent.

● Mr Geraint Howells, MP and party spokesman on agriculture, said the introduction of milk quotas was a political blunder and surpluses should be used to help starving millions in the Third World.

## Today's business

An emergency motion on the miners' dispute will be considered today. Mr Roy Jenkins, former leader of the SDP, is due to address the assembly and other business will include debates on protecting individual liberties, aid to the Third World, economic strategy, allocation of parliamentary time and law reform.

## Commentary

### Geoffrey Smith

**Mr David Steel has wisely decided to reassert himself as Liberal leader. But in doing so he may have given a somewhat misleading impression of political realities at Bournemouth this week.**

**The critical vote to be taken at the end of the defence debate tomorrow is likely to be whether to demand the unconditional withdrawal of the cruise missiles already deployed in this country, or to seek a nuclear freeze which would permit those weapons already hear to stay in the meantime. The first choice would bring the Liberals into damaging conflict with the SDP.**

**The preliminary vote taken in the party's defence commission on Monday suggested that it may be quite a close-run thing. But in his Panorama interview that evening, Mr Steel threatened to use his personal veto rather than be saddled with a defence policy of which he disapproved. In doing so he was sending a message both to his own party, and to the SDP.**

**To the Liberal conference he was saying that he would not tamely accept a decision for the immediate withdrawal of the missiles. To the SDP he was signalling that even if the vote tomorrow were to go against his wishes, it would not be disastrous for the Alliance.**

### Following veto precedent

**"Whatever resolution is passed does not have the status of Holy Writ", he maintained, "because the final authority on the manifesto rests with me". In saying this, Mr Steel was technically correct: the party constitution does give him such a veto.**

**He was also following precedent. The 1981 assembly voted against the deployment of cruise, and Mr Steel did not allow the party to be bound by that decision.**

**But I do not believe that Mr Steel is now correct politically. There is a limit to how often a leader can simply defy his party on a highly sensitive issue. More particularly, the Liberal leader is given a veto over only a general election manifesto.**

**While Mr Steel will undoubtedly have great influence over the joint interim programme that the Liberals and the SDP are to produce in 1986, he will not be able to exercise a constitutional veto on the contents of that document. It is expected to be drafted by some kind of joint committee, and then presented for approval to the respective party conferences.**

**Some people have been speaking at Bournemouth as if the Liberals are this week simply establishing a negotiating position from which agreed policies can then be worked out with the SDP. But the Liberal drafters of the 1986 joint programme would be taking a considerable risk if they were to accept a major revision of this assembly's decision on cruise in the hope of persuading a subsequent conference to change its mind.**

### Critical vote for Alliance

**The SDP could not reverse its position without forfeiting public respect; and it certainly could not be expected to put up with an unacceptable statement on cruise in 1986, in the hope that the Steel veto could be brought into play for the general election.**

**Perhaps the march of international events will shortly remove cruise as a political issue, but that cannot be taken for granted. The natural assumption, therefore, is that tomorrow's vote will be critical for the Alliance.**

**If it does not bring the two parties into collision, then quite possibly over a period of time the process of policy discussions between the two parties will be so broadened – between the selected candidates of both parties, and locally as well as nationally – that it may no longer be relevant to think in terms of separate Liberal and Social Democratic approaches. The political presssures are towards convergence.**

**But if the Liberals vote for the immediate unilateral withdrawal of cruise, they will both make it harder to reach agreement on policy and increase the doubts of many Social Democrats as to whether Liberals are the sort of people with whom they wish to link their political fortunes indissolubly.**

**The Alliance would not break up. But its progress would be slowed and the uncertainties would multiply. The damage would be done by an unfavourable vote tomorrow. It could not be undone by Mr Steel's veto.**

# Message to mine industry

It was the clear duty of the miners' union and the coal board to return to the negotiating table, Mr Alan Watson, president-elect of the party, said in his opening speech.

"Our message to the Prime Minister is equally clear", he said. "There will be no victory for you in all this. The miners are not the enemy within, they are part of this nation, part of our community and our people. Seek to wait out the winter for their final surrender and you will inherit a wilderness in which the only things that will grow will be hatred and strife."

# Repeal secrets Act call

A call for the withdrawal of the prosecution against Mr Clive Ponting, a civil servant charged under Section Two of the Official Secrets Act, was made by Mr Des Wilson, chairman of the 1984 Freedom of Information Campaign, during a debate which ended with the party reaffirming its support for the repeal of the Act and its replacement with a Freedom of Information Act.

The assembly also approved an amendment to the main motion deploring the use by the Attorney General of Section Two of the Offical Secrets Act as a means of disciplining a senior civil servant for allegedly having supplied information to an MP on a matter of acute public interest.

The amendment had been moved by Mr Louis Blom-Cooper, QC, chairman of the party's home affairs panel, who also referred to the case of Sarah Tisdall and said that the Attorney General must be some kind of Thatcherite "flat earth" man.

The Government simply would not learn its lesson.

Mr Wilson said that secrecy had become a disease in Britain. Mrs Thatcher had herself become a victim of that secrecy because there were more "leaks" from her administration than any previous one.

The campaign, he said, had attracted more institutional and individual support than any other public campaign for years.

# British Museum may bid for blocked Chatsworth drawing

By Frances Gibb

The British Museum is considering making a bid for one of 12 Chatsworth Old Master drawings worth a total for almost £13m which have been temporarily stopped by the Government from export.

A bid, possibly for a Rubens drawing of a man threshing priced at £779,520, would cause further furore in art circles where the museum is already under heavy criticism for its part in the Chatsworth sale.

The Rubens is one of three drawings stopped from export last month from a package of 71 works auctioned for £21m by the Duke of Devonshire from the Chatsworth collection. On Monday the Government announced export stops on a further nine drawings, totalling almost £10m, from the same collection.

The duke had originally offered the British Museum the whole package for a bargain £5.5m but a deal could not be agreed, although the difference was said to be a mere £250,000, a sum that was bound to have been raised by the National Art Collections Fund, a charitable trust.

The export stops have ironically been made on the advice of the British Museum's Keeper of Drawings, Mr John Rowlands, in his other capacity as adviser to the Department of Trade and the Reviewing Committee on The Export of Works of Art.

They are made, in theory, to give other museums a last chance to match the purchase prices and to stop the works going abroad. But as no other museum could afford the huge sums involved, the stops are being seen as on grounds of principle rather than for any practical purpose.

Yesterday Mr Ewen Balfour, a spokesman for the British Museum, could not comment on a possible bid. "The pictures will be discussed by the trustees at their next meeting on October 6," he said.

It is likely however that if the trustees decide on the Rubens, there may be more criticism in art circles where there are views that the Rubens would not be the best drawing for the museum to acquire.

A group of leading gallery directors have already demanded that the museum's trustees and its director explain their failure to accept the duke's bargain offer. The museum's handling of the offer, they say, has dealt a blow to the private treaty sales system

Yesterday Heritage in Danger, the all-party pressure group, called for a complete overhaul of the art export system after the last export ban on the Chatsworth drawings.

Among the drawings which have been stopped from export for between two to six months are a study of a man's head and arm by Raphael, valued at £3.6m; a sheet of 10 studies by Italian Renaissance artists (£3.3m); four Rembrandt drawings ranging from £390,000 to £522,640 and a Rubens drawing valued at £622,720.

● More government money was urgently needed to prevent Britain from losing what is truly important to its national heritage, Lord Howard of Henderskelfe, the new chairman of the Museums and Galleries Commission said yesterday.

In his opening address to 260 delegates attending a six-day conference in Guernsey of the Museums Association he urged members to pool ideas for preserving what remained of the national heritage. Whatever was decided in terms of grants and tax concessions would have to have all-party agreement so as not to be upset by successive governments.



Court appointment: Princess Michael of Kent driving from Kensington Palace yesterday to Queen's Club in west London for a game of tennis

# Firewoman 'harassed at ceremony'

By Sheila Beardall

A London firewoman gave evidence at a hearing yesterday against seven firemen accused of sexually harassing her during an induction ceremony.

Firewoman Lynne Gunning, aged 23, of Frimley Close, New Addington, Surrey, claimed that her colleagues at Soho fire station in central London tied her to a ladder, hosed her down, used obscene language and exposed themselves.

They were suspended from duty and Miss Gunning, a former Croydon traffic warden, was transferred to Clapham fire station, south London.

The seven are: Station Officer John Peen, Sub Officer Stephen Short and Leading Fireman Glen Grandison, who all face three accusations, including two of neglect of duty, and firemen Patrick Toyne, Garry Langford, Leslie Hemsley and Leonard Goodfellow, all accused of disreputable conduct.

The disciplinary proceedings, held in camera at London Fire Brigade's headquarters in Lambeth, are expected to continue for another two days.

The firemen could face dismissal, demotion or fines under the fire service disciplinary code if the case is proved.

Miss Gunning, one of only five women in the 7,000-member London Fire Brigade, joined the Soho station last November

Senior London fire officers said that the induction ceremonies were traditional, but a spokesman for the brigade said that so far as management was concerned they did not exist.

# Baby sitter, 13, is raped

A man who raped at knifepoint a girl aged 13 who advertised as a babysitter was being sought by police yesterday.

The girl had placed a card in a newsagent's shop window at Collier Row, Romford, Essex. A man arranged to meet her outside a public house.

# Mother-tongue studies 'poor'

Criticism about the quality of mother-tongue teaching of children whose language was not English was highlighted yesterday in a report by school Inspectors.

Based on a study of four education authorities in London, the West Midlands and the North-west, the inspectors found good work in some infant schools but found approaches and provision "less secure" in some primary and secondary schools.

Many schools, the inspectors said, showed serious defects in terms of good teaching.

There was a need for head teachers and staff to be well informed about the linguistic and cultural background of pupils and to make sure that the use and teaching of the mother tongue was related to the mainstream curriculum, the report said.

The authorities involved were the Inner London Education Authority, the London borough of Ealing, Manchester and Walsall.

The inspectors emphasized that mother-tongue teaching of children from the immigrant community was a relatively new experience for education authorities.

Many of the teachers involved were part-time and suffered from professional isolation, the report said.

## Joseph ruling on jumble sales

Jumble sales in London school halls will require the personal approval of Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science under the extensive powers the Government has to control the spending of the Inner London Education Authority.

In a report presented yesterday the authority's leader, Mrs France Morrell, said that during the summer the Department of Education and Science had surreptitiously acquired the means for "detailed surveillance" of its spending.

Its building projects were frozen; all new contracts had to be approved; and the Government had even to approve the hire of school rooms out of hours. Mrs Morrell said that the new controls would halt the supply of computers to London's schoolchildren, a policy enthusiastically supported by the Department of Trade and Industry.

Mrs Morrell said either the Government was pursuing a vendetta against the much-reviewed education authority or it had not realized the cumulative effects of its recent legislation and administrative orders.

# Rally success expected to boost Audi sales

By Our Motoring Correspondent

**Motorists' reactions to the much-publicized rally successes of Audi's Quattro saloon have persuaded the German company to extend the same four-wheel drive concept to other cars in its range.**

**New Quattro and two-wheel drive models announced in Germany yesterday are expected to boost Audi sales in Britain so sharply that the present 350-strong Volkswagen/Audi dealer network will have to be reorganized to cope with them.**

**Only the 90 biggest and best-equipped dealers are permitted to sell the present £20,000 Quattro. Talks will start soon between VAG UK, which controls all VW/Audi imports, and dealer representatives to extend the Quattro franchise to all but the smallest garages**

**At the same time, Mr Brian Bowler, sales and marketing director of Audi UK, is expected to press for Audi cars to be segregated from lower-priced VWs by exhibiting and selling them in separate showrooms.**

# EEC aims for 1989 start on lead-free motoring

By Clifford Webb, Motoring Correspondent

All new cars sold in Europe after January 1, 1989, will use lead-free petrol if the West German Government accepts proposals today which could break the deadlock with its EEC partners.

The move indicates a courageous change of heart by West Germany. Last summer, under pressure from the "Save Our Forests" campaign, led by the political party of the Greens it announced unilateral action to impose lead-free petrol in Germany from January 1, 1986.

There was an immediate storm of protest from the entire European motor industry led by Germany's own manufacturers. They gave warning that it would lead to a bitter trade war if French, Italian and British manufacturers refused to modify their cars and had to be excluded from the German market, the largest in the community.

Heads of French and Italian motor manufacturing companies said a 1986 deadline would give the German car makers an unfair advantage because they were already exporting large numbers of cars to the United States which were modified to meet the same stringent emission controls the Germans proposed to adopt. Now the protesters are being offered a three-year extension in which to prepare.

Speaking at a new car launch in Munich yesterday, Dr Wolfgang Habbel, chairman of Audi, said: "We do not accept that the case against the car as a polluter and destroyer of our forests has been proved, but we still want to play our part in improving the environment. I believe the present proposals could form the framework of the binding European solution so urgently needed to put an end to the present indecision."

The Germans want the introduction of lead-free petrol, phased in with a government subsidy paid to motorists from 1986 to 1988

Among the options being considered by the West German Government is a 4p a gallon subsidy on lead-free petrol, reduced Purchase Tax on new cars and a concession on Road Fund Tax

# Blacks fear Labour will stifle separate section call

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

Black Labour supporters fear that a behind-the-scenes attempt is being made to stifle their demand for separate representation within the party.

More than 20 resolutions have been tabled for debate at next month's party conference in Blackpool on the question of creating black sections which would be given a distinct voice on the lines of the women's and youth sections.

But Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, and Mr Roy Hattersley, his deputy, have already stated their opposition to the move, and black section campaigners have now been told that some union leaders are trying to avert a confrontation at the conference.

Leaders of the Association of Professional, Executive, Clerical, and Computer Staff (Apex) are proposing instead that the party should set up an equal rights committee.

The Apex plan, sponsored by Mr Denis Howell, a front bench spokesman on home affairs and a leading member of the union, suggests that the committee should include 13 elected representatives from each of the regions, along with seven representatives from the TUC and Labour's national executive.

Black section campaigners are afraid that Mr Kinnock might get the national executive to use the proposal to stall debate and action

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# Violence mars ending of strike by black gold miners in South Africa

**From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg**

The first legal strike by black gold miners in South Africa's history ended yesterday only a day after it had begun, but too late to prevent serious violence between strikers and riot police on at least three mine compounds.

The National Union of Mineworkers and the Chamber of Mines, representing the employers, announced that the miners had accepted a revised wage offer, involving increases in holiday pay, which will come into effect on October 1.

Police used birdshot, rubber bullets and teargas at JCI's Westonaria mine and Anglo Vaal's Hartebeestfontein mine after violence had broken out.

The improved pay offer will apply only to the 90,000 blacks working in the eight mines where the NUM is recognized, all but one of which are owned by the Anglo-American Corporation, the world's biggest mining enterprise.

This could lead to friction with the rest of the 430,000 blacks employed in the gold mines and cause agitation for comparable terms. Variations in pay between mining companies have provoked riots in the past.

Mr Cyril Ramaphosa, the General Secretary of the NUM, declined to say whether the union was pleased with the settlement. Future relations with management would depend on how it dealt with workers "after this time of turmoil", he said.

More than 250 black miners were treated on Monday at a mine hospital in Welkom, in the Orange Free State, mainly for injuries caused by rubber bullets fired by the police. More than 100 are still in hospital, two in the intensive care unit and 11 recovering from operations.

Mr Peter Gush, chairman of Anglo's gold and uranium division, issued a statement yesterday regretting the injuries, but claiming that the police had been called only after serious intimidation by strikers of those who wanted to go on working.

According to Mr Ramaphosa, however, the police "attacked and inflicted injuries on workers who had gathered peacefully and in an orderly manner to consider the chamber's offer". He said the NUM was considering legal action.

The violence occurred at Anglo's Western Holdings mine, which has three separate divisions, and President Brand mine, which are in the Orange Free State. All the eight mines directly involved in the NUM's dispute with the chanber were reported to be operating normally by last night.

The deal which ended the strike will introduce holiday pay, equal to 50 per cent of normal monthly pay, for the first time for unskilled workers and raise it from 50 to 75 per cent for semi-skilled workers.

If the strike had been prolonged it would have had a serious effect on the South African economy, which depends on gold for 45 per cent of its export earnings. The eight affected mines account for just under 30 per cent of total gold output.

# Be realistic, Botha tells new MPs

**From Our Own Correspondent, Johannesburg**

**South Africa's new President, Mr P W Botha, yesterday opened the country's first multiracial Parliament in Cape Town and called for self-control, thrift, realism, forbearance and mutual respect. These qualities, he said, were necessary to sustain economic prosperity and further constitutional development.**

The opening of the Parliament, which has 178 white, 85 coloured (mixed blood) and 45 Indian MPs, was the final event in what has been planned as a series of dignified ceremonies to mark the introduction of the new constitution and focus the world's attention on the Government's reformist policies.

he elections last month of the Coloured and Indian MPs were seriously marred, however, by low polls and violent clashes between the police and anti-apartheid protesters. Then on September 3, the day the new constitution came into force, riots broke out in black townships, costing at least 44 lives so far.

No sooner had the township violence begun to die down than six leading African and Indian anti-apartheid campaigners took refuge in the British consulate in Durban, turning the spotlight on the almost limitless powers of the Government to arrest and imprison its opponents without trial.

In his address to Parliament, which will normally sit in three racially segregated chambers but can be convened in joint session on special occasions, Mr Botha said that black (ie African) political participation required structures and processes other than those offered by the new constitution.

"We therefore realize that the constitution does not provide fully for the diversity which marks the South African population. Democratic political participation must also be further extended among our black communities in order to ensure their advancement and to meet the demands for justice", he declared.

Mr Botha gave no indication, however, how black political rights were to be improved. At a press conference last Saturday, after his inauguration as President on the previous day, he bluntly ruled out any question of a fourth chamber for Africans, who make up more than two-thirds of the population, in the new Parliament.

After electing a number of standing committees, the only bodies in which direct bargaining between the races is likely to occur, the Parliament is expected to go into recess until January next year.

# Consulate refugees seek EEC and UN support

**By Our Diplomatic Correspondent**

Representatives of the six men who have taken refuge in the British Consulate in Durban said yesterday that they were turning for support to the European Community and the United Nations, after two fruitless days in Britain.

Mr Zac Yacoob, a barrister and member of the United Democratic Front in South Africa, said in London that they wanted to bring more pressure to bear on Britain as well as on the Government in Pretoria.

The three representatives are upset because Britain has refused to provide a minister for them to meet after their flight from Durban to elicit support.

They are also bitter about the way in which "unsmiling" British officials at the consulate have made clear that the six are unwelcome guests.

They were not being treated with the dignity and esteem to which they were entitled as leaders of the opposition to the South African regime, Mr Yacoob said.

"It has amounted to an insult. Yet the day is soon going to come when the South African Government, and even the British Government, will want to talk to these leaders," he told a press conference.

● DURBAN: The legal battle to secure the freedom of the six men in the Consulate here is to begin on Friday (Ray Kennedy writes).

Mr Justice Friedman, of the Natal Supreme Court, ruled in Durban yesterday that an application to scrap the arrest orders against the men should be heard in Pietermaritzburg in the Natal provincial division of the Supreme Court.

# Netherlands to hold down taxes

**From Robert Schuil**
**Amsterdam**

Dutch taxes will not be raised for the first time in many years, and next year, which leads up to an election, social service premiums will be reduced.

The Government outlined its new programme in a speech from the throne by Queen Beatrix at the beginning of the new parliamentary year and in the 1985 budget which was presented to Parliament yesterday.



**Queen Beatrix delivering her speech yesterday**

It is confident that its policies are leading to economic recovery and believes that holding taxes down and reducing national insurance will produce a rise in purchasing power of between 1 and 2 per cent, particularly in the private sector.

The Government also claims to have brought the country's soaring unemployment rate to a halt. The Netherlands has one of the highest rates in Europe, with 830,000 or 17 per cent of the workforce unemployed.

Cuts in public spending totalling 9,300m guilders (about £2,165m) will mainly affect public sector salaries, social security benefits and public health expenditure.

In her speech the Queen emphasized the need to fight the rising crime rate. Extra funds will be made available to the police and the courts, while the number of prison cells will also be increased.

Defence spending will be up by 2 per cent in 1985 and the government has promised to conform to the 3 per cent Nato norm by 1987. Development aid spending remains unchanged at 1.5 per cent of the national income.

The Queen also hinted that the Netherlands may be obliged to deploy 48 cruise missiles.

In June the Dutch government announced it would not deploy cruise missiles on Dutch soil if the Soviet Union froze its SS20 levels, or alternatively it would deploy a lower number, if limitations were agreed between Moscow and Washington.



**Ambush victim: The driver of the bus attacked near Bethlehem receiving treatment in a Jerusalem hospital. His condition was not regarded as serious.**

# Libya charges two detained Britons

**By Henry Stanhope, Diplomatic Correspondent**

Two of the six Britons who have been arrested by Libyan police since diplomatic relations between the two countries were severed five months ago have now been charged.

They are Mr John Campbell, who appeared in court on Sunday accused of issuing a forged document, and Mr Michael King, who appeared the next day in connexion with an alleged drugs offence.

Mr George Anderson, the British consular official who has remained in Tripoli since the rest of the embassy staff were withdrawn, was in court for both hearing and said that the two men looked fit and well.

The Foreign Office has always suspected that the Libyan authorities have regarded Mr Cambell and Mr King as being in a different category fromk four other men who are in detention in Tripoli.

# Egypt firm on terms for closer Israel ties

**From Moshe Brilliant**
**Tel Aviv**

**Mr Mohammad Abdel Aziz Bassiony, the Egyptian Charge d'Affaires her, conveyed Predident Mubarak's greetings to Mr Shimon Peres yesterday on his inauguration as Israeli Prime Miniser, but made clear that Cairo stood by its old preconditions for normalizing relations between the two countries.**

**Responding to the new Government's call to strengthen ties and to give substance to the 1979 peace treaty, Mr Bassiony said Egypt was ready to negotiate "if there is a new atmosphere in Isreal".**

**Normalization could start only after Israeli torrps had been withdrawn from Lebanon, steps had been taken to gain the confidence of Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza, and negotiations began on Taba, the coastal strip south of Eilat which is claimed by both Isreal and Egypt.**

**● BUS AMBUSH: Israeli troops combed Dheisha refugee camp at El Khader, near Bethlehmen, throughout the night for gunmen who ambushed an Israeli bus on Monday evening. The curfew was lifted in Dheisha yesterday morning but maintained in El Khader.**

**The bus driver and four passengers, as well as two Arabs travelling in a car behind the bus, were trated in hospital.**

# Two rival militias sign accord in Tripoli

Damascus (Reuter) – Two rival militias in the north Lebanese port of Tripoli signed a Syrian-mediated peace agreement in Damascus yesterday which is designed to end their long feud.

The Syrian Vice-President, Mr Abdel Halim Khaddam, was present when the accord was signed by the pro-Syrian Arab Democratic Party and the Sunni Muslim Islamic Unification Movement.

The accord bans gunmen from the streets and calls for the collection of their heavy and medium weapons in Tripoli and its suburbs. The guns would be guarded by Lebanese police and gendarmes, and by Syrian troops stationed in north Lebanon.

The two militias have fought on an off in Tripoli for the past five years. Two people died and nine were wounded in their latest clash on Sunday.

Under the seven-point agreement a joint force of Lebanese troops, gendarmes and police backed by Syrian soliders would be in charge of security in the city.

A committee of city and militia leaders would impose extra customs duties to compensate people who have suffered in the fighting. Security forces would prevent imports of arms and ammunition.

Militia representatives would join Lebanese and Syrian Army officers on a committee to supervise implementation

**The Chad troop withdrawals**

# French satellite will ensure Gaddafi keeps to his promise

**From Alan Tillier, Paris**

All French political parties yesterday acclaimed the Franco-Libyan agreement to withdraw forces from Chad between September 25 and mid-November. However, France intends to monitor, by satellite and through the presence of several hundred observers from friendly African states, the sincerity of the Libyan promises.

Part of the French force in Chad will withdraw to neighbouring countries – the Central African Republic, Gabon and possibly Cameroon – to await the final outcome in Chad.

Ministers and generals were awaiting further reassurances from Colonel Gaddafi, the Libyan leader, who two weeks ago was declaring his intention of inflicting "a new Dien Bien Phu" on France, a reference to the French defeat at the hands of the Vietnamese in 1954.

Gaddafi's word is one thing. Another is whether the two men at the centre of the Chad drama will ever reach agreement. Fifteen years of dealing with the mess in Chad – French forces have intervened three times in strength – have taught French governments of all colours that everything depends on these two, namely Mr Hissène Habré, President of Chad, and his arch-rival, and predecessor, Mr Goukouni Oueddei, who is backed by Colonel Gaddafi. The chances are not good, for hatred has developed with the years.

Mr Habré, informed of the agreement at the last minute, is furious, according to sources in Paris. Yesterday his Foreign Minister, Mr Gouara Lassou, flew from Paris to Algiers to "examine the relaunching of relations" between Algeria and Chad.

In Paris, Mr Lassou said he did not understand why Chad had not been kept informed, particularly as it was his country which had invited the French to return to its defence a year ago.

Algeria's relations are cool towards Libya, which signed a recent "union" agreement with Morocco. Algiers welcomed the Franco-Libyan withdrawal, on condition that it led to a "lasting settlement" of the Chad problem.

Mr Habré's fear is that the Libyan force of 5,000 and the troops of Mr Goukouni will merely pull back to the disputed Aozou Strip, along the border with Libya. Mr Lassou told the French that the Libyans would strike from this strip once the French had departed. The French replied that their Army has a contigency plan to clear the Aozou area, if necessary.

Yesterday the Libyan Foreign Minister, Dr Ali Triki, repeated the claim, in an interview with French radio, that the Aozou Strip occupied by Colonel Gaddafi in 1973, was an integral part of Libya. He added: "We must allow the Chadian people to solve their problems, Chadians among themselves. We will assume our responsibilities if there is outside intervention against Chad or a threat."

The sounded reassuring, but they came after France had drawn up its own new plan for the defence of Chad from bases in Bouar, northern Central African Republic, the capital, Bangui, and Libreville, in Gabon.

There was no immediate confirmation that 700 French rapid-intervention forces would be stationed in northern Cameroon, though the first French forces to go to Mr Habré's rescue the last time in August last year, came in from there.

An observer said in Paris: "The French have been using Doulala to send in military equipment by sea and then by Transall transport planes to Chad, but the French have bases all around Chad without having to set up new facilities in Cameroon."

Relations between France and Cameroon are reasonably good, given the fact that the former president, recently deposed, lives in France. Relations are good with the Central African Republic, and excellent with Gabon.

The view in Paris last night was that Colonel Gaddafi had agreed to withdraw because of the strong French military posture, his own internal problems, divisions within Mr Goukouni's forces, and the restraining influence of his new ally, King Hassan of Morocco.

M Michel Jobert, who was Foreign Minister when the Colonel last visited Paris, said the United States would not be happy about France's deal with Libya and added that "Chad was now face-to-face with itself".

● **KINSHASA VISITOR:** M Guy Penne, President Mitterrand's Africa trouble-shooter, arrived yesterday in Kinshasa to discus with President Mobutu whether the 2,000 Zaire troops should remain in Chad. They were not mentioned in the Franco-Libyan comuniqué.

## Kreisky role in negotiations

**Austria's former Chancellor, Dr Bruno Kreisky, acted as an intermediary between France and Libya in their agreement to withdraw troops from Chad (Richard Bassett reports from Vienna).**

**Dr Kreisky, who is living in retirement in Majorca, said in an Austrian radio interview that his long-standing friendship with both President Mitterrand and Colonel Gaddafi enableed his to play a *significant role in their reahing* agreement.**



Wind and a prayer: The Pope addressing a crowd of 15,000 at a Mass at Namao, north of Edmonton, Alberta. *Yesterday he was unable to land at Fort Simpson in the Northwest Territories when fog forced his aircraft to be diverted.*

# TV glimpse dampens Chernenko rumours

**From Richard Owen Moscow**

President Chernenko appeared on Moscow television last night, dampening speculation about his health and authority which had begun to circulate again in Moscow.

Mr Chernenko, aged 72, ended growing rumours that he was incapacitated or even dying when he reappeared on September 6 at a Kremlin ceremony honouring three Soviet cosmonauts. He had not previously appeared for nearly two months and the Soviet press had begun to issue statements reminiscent of devices used during President Andropov's illness to assure Russians and foreigners that the Soviet leader was well and in command.

After the Cosmonauts ceremony, however Mr Chernenko again disappeared from view for nearly two weeks, and there were rumours he had entered hospital. Yesterday Mr Chernenko presented the Greek Communist leader, Mr Harilaos Florakis, with the Order of Lenin. He was also expected publicity honour Mr Viktor Grishin, the Politburo member and party leader in Moscow, who was yesterday awarded the order of Lenin and a "hammer and sickle" medal on his seventieth birthday.

Mr Chernenko will be 73 on Monday, and observers will be watching to see how the event is treated in the Soviet media.

# Russians to release American seamen

Washington (Reuter) – Five American seamen held by the Soviet Union in the remote Siberian coastal town of Ureliki will be released, two US senators said yesterday.

In separate statements, Senator Howard Baker, of Tennessee, and Senator Frank Murkowski, of Alaska, both Republicans, said they had been told of the Soviet decision by the State Department.

Soviet officials have said the men were on board a ship that strayed into Soviet waters. State Department officials said the ship, the Frieda K, was delivering supplies and water to remote islands off Alaska and have denied it was on a spy mission.

## Sakharov clash at Stockholm

Stockholm (ARP) – The United States sought to link the conference on disarmament in Europe here to the question of human rights in the Soviet Union, notably the case of Dr Andrei Sakharov. Human rights, peace and security were imseparable, the US delegate said. This provoked the Soviet delegates to charge Washington with trying to "derail" the talks with irrelevant issues.

## Rama Rao

Hyderabad (Reuter) – A curfew was reimposed on parts of this south Indian city after a Muslim rickshaw driver was stabbed to death in renewed communal violence. It confronted the Chief Minister of Andhro Pradesh, Mr N. T. Raman Rao, with his first challenge.

## Heart success



Betsy Sneith, aged 23, of San Diego, California, who received a man's heart in transplant surgery four years ago, has given birth to a healthy baby girl, apparently the first successful birth by a heart recipient. The male heart survived the strain of the pregnancy.

## Paris blasts

Paris (Reuter) – Six bombs exploded in Paris early yesterday, causing extensive damage but no injuries. Three banks, a Culture Ministry annexe, a Post Office vehicle and a building attached to the Sacré Coeur Basilica were the targets.

## Threat to trout

Geneva (Reuter) – Acid rain could reduce the number of trout in some rivers and lakes by up to 80 per cent if air pollution continues at present rates, the UN Economic Commission for Europe said. A study in Norway had shown this.

## Journalists quit

Windhoek (AFP). – Eleven of the 13 staff of Namibia's controversial weekly newspaper, the *Windhoek Observer*, have resigned in protest at the owner's suspension of its political editor, Gwen Lister, for allegedly being too liberal.

## Passport lure

Suva, Fiji (Reuter) – Fiji is offering passports and eventual permanent citizenship to foreigners ready to invest 100,000 Fiji dollars (£71,000) in government bonds for 15 years. Hong Kong businessmen are understood to be the target.

## Long player

Zurich (AP) – Felix Leutenegger, a Swiss carpenter, aged 28, claimed a world record for playing the barrel organ, cranking the device for 103 hours non-stop in the village of Opfikon-Glattbrugg

## Adieu, képi

Paris (Reuter) – French policemen will hang up their famous képi and cape image next summer and change to an American-style uniform, the Interior Ministry announced. The flat-topped képi makes way for an aviator-style cap and a short, broad-shouldered jacket replaces the cape.

## Seven up

Cape Canaveral (AFP) – A record seven astronauts, including two women and the first Canadian, will be on board the US. space shuttle Challenger when it takes off from here on October 5, the space agency announced.

## Round the bend

Tokyo (Reuter) – Designers at the Mitsubishi Electric Corporation have come up with a curved escalator. The first one being installed in a Tokyo store and at an Osaka trade fair.

**Operation Lionheart**

# Press corps grapples with gas and gag

**From Colin Hughes, Wildenrath**

"Gas, gas, gas." On the instructor's shout, two dozen journalists snatch frog-like masks over bleary faces, transforming them instantly from joking hacks into eerily attired modern war correspondents.

Donning the "NBC" suits, two-piece combat wear which blocks out nuclear, chemical and bacteriological agents, is part of out obligation to endure the same discomforts suffered by soldiers in a European war.

As guinea pigs in a trial of how such a future war would be covered, one lady and 24 gentlemen of the press are simulating battle reporting alongside 120,000 British troops on Exercise Lionhart in West Germany.

It includes tramping in a circle round a CS gas-filled chamber looking from the outside like science fiction bipeds and feeling inside more like moistly vacuum-packed sausages.

The "Noddy" suit, as Armyspeaks has it, is charcoal-lined and sealed at every joint. No air gets but what you can breathe.

At least in principal. When one reporter dived from the gas chamber door to unclip his mask and breathe in the morning air in a misty copse at Aarsbeck, near the Belgian border, after sniffing the sharp sting of CS, we learnt our first lesson: "Never go to war with a beard".

On arrival at Chelsea Barracks we acquired our accreditation passes and were told we would not be working under any censorship rules during our week in West Germany. Except, of course, that the accreditation rules we have just signed are not for publication.

Now this is what jounalists, with their instinct for battered cliché, call a Catch-22. Our Ministry of Defence attendants prefer the term "accreditation bargain".

That means that, ever since the disastrous relations between press and forces caused by difficulties in reporting the Falklands war the two sides have been attempting to reach a deal on how the Mod will give reporters access to the battlefield and how much information will be controlled.

Lieutenant-Colonel Peter Mackie, head of army public relations, believes that in a European war against the Warsaw Pact any journalist caught wandering loose in a hire car with nothing but a London press pass would be picked up as an agent of Spetzatz, the Russian equivalent of the Russian SAS.

The Catch–22, then, may yet be solvable: We practise self-censorship, pledging never to jeopardize operational security; in return we are shown battle plans, and are lent all the equipment and services we need to survive, including the life-saving "Noddy" suit.

Both American and Canadian officers are watching the trial in radiness to experiment with their own native reporters, since the invasion of Grenada caused a similar row in the United States.

Relations are so far, so good. Press passes pinned to combat jackets are well displayed, even though the journalists' boots would be better suited to a Sunday stroll in the Chilterns. The one reporter carrying an "Aging hippies against the bomb" badge has kept it politely concealed in his top pocket.

## Across the Rhine on a pint of stew

**From Rodney Cowton, Defence Correspondent, Rheindahlen**

For the first time since the Second World War, large-scale British forces were yesterday crossing the Rhine by ferry.

The big difference is that this time the crossings, in the week of the fortieth anniversary of the battle at Arnhem, are being made with the assistance of the German Army.

Ferries are being used because, for the purpose of Exercise Lionheart, it is assumed that all the bridges across the Rhine have been demolished. About 6,000 British vehicles are being shipped across the Rhine in three days. Hostilities are assumed to have begun on Monday night, without a formal declaration of war.

They were marked by attacks on RAF and other airfields and by assaults by special forces on ammunition and fuel depots and other facilities.

Although the reinforcement phase of the exercise has been marked by some delays, General Sir Nigel Bagnall, Commander-in-Chief, British Army of the Rhine, said it had gone remarkably well.

There have been one or two inevitable mix-ups; in one case troops got off a train at the wrong station, and in another vehicles were sent to a railway station to pick up equipment that was being delivered by barge.

General Bagnall was visiting Leuth, a vehicle staging post just inside Germany, through which something like 14,000 vehicles and trailers will have passed in the last two weeks. The General saw more than 700 vehicles refuelling and their crews getting a meal made of a pint of stew, a pint of tea, and fruit.

# Budget progress but little else at EEC

**From Ian Murray, Burssels**

EEC foreign ministers left Brussels last night agreed on Nothing except that there had been what most delegations called "progress" towards solving the Community's cash crisis during a two-day council session.

The ministers meet again in Luxembourg on October 1 and 2, aware that they must then settle their remaining differences if the long and damaging budget sqabble is to be settled. At the same time they will have to agree the terms for Spanish and Portuguese entry into the Community, because this is the only way in which essential extra money can be made available.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, said: "We are now clearly in the last phase of this long and difficult process. Nobody attaches more importance to bringing it to a successful conclusion than the United Kingdom. We think there is now a reasonable prospect of reaching agreement on all the elements by the deadline of October 5."

That is a *deadline imposed* by the fact that the European Parliament must be sent a draft budget then if it is to vote on the issue during its session the following week. Without that parliamentary approval there can be no extra money for the Community before its funds run out.

"Progress" was on a wide range of fronts, even though all the most contentious issues still remain. They will need intensive work by officials to be in a fit state for decision by October 2, but the political will to reach an end to the long negotiations is now very evident.

M Roland Dumas, the French minister responsible for EEC matters, also indentified "progress" on most fronts yesterday, even though he felt that Britain's current negotiating position was "paradoxical". His line had softened considerably overnight, since on Monday he had told journalists that France could not accept new rules on controlling EEC spending along the lines of those worked out in outline by finance ministers in Ireland last weekend.

All countries now accept the British point that all the issues must be settled together. This is what gives particular urgency to the Luxembourg meeting, which will be held at the same time as finance ministers are deciding on the new budget rules, and while agriculture *ministers are holding a special* session devoted entirely to stemming the mounting flood of EEC wine production.

The outstanding questions remain complicated and numerous. The finance ministers have to agree a set of rules which will effectively hold EEC spending below an agreed ceiling.

# Heidemann tells of Nazi treasure

Hamburg (Reuter) – The West German journalist Herr Gerd Heidemann, who is charged with fraud for selling diaries purported to be Hitler's, said yesterday he signed a contract with East Germany in August, 1981, regarding treasure belonging to the Nazi leader Hermann Göring.

The contract assured Herr Heidemann and the East German Government of 50 per cent each of the treasure, said to have been tipped into a lake towards the end of the Second World War, the court heard.

Herr Heidemann paid an undisclosed amount to the East Berlin authorities for machinery and 40 engineers of the National People's Army who were to lift the treasure, he said. But it was never found.

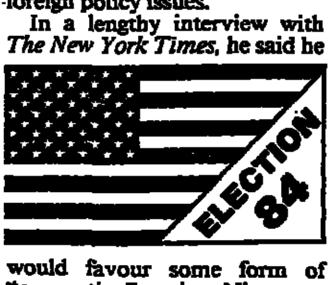


# Mondale shift on foreign policy

**From Nicholas Ashford Washington**

In an attempt to close the gap between himself and President Reagan, Mr Walter Mondale, the Democratic presidential challenger, has shifte to middle ground on a number of key foreign policy issues.

In a lengthy interview with *The New York Times*, he said he




would favour some form of "quarantine" against Nicaragua if it continued to export revolution; voiced his support for President Jopsé Napoleón Duarte of El Salvador, and said he would keep American military advisers there and in neighbouring Honduras.

He also said for the first time that he would have used force in Grenada "to protect american lives". Mr Mondale had criticized President Reagan's decision to use force when the invasion took place in October.

However, Mr Mondale emphasized that he would always try to seek negotiated solutions to international problems where possible and attacked President Reagan's tendency to rely on American military strength.



Arms control challenge: Ms Geraldine Ferraro, the Democratic vice-presidential candidate, brandishing a document in Philadelphia, listing President Reagan's failure to support a single arms control agreement.

He said the President had only recently started to modify some of his foreign policy positions in order to make them more acceptable to the electorate.

"When this election is over, what will we see? Will we see the blandishments pof the last two months of a President who is seeking re-election, or will there be the real Reagan who reappears?".

He accused the Administration of "carrying on the arms race rather than trying to get arms agreements" and of trying to "win by force" in Central America

Mr Mondale will have the opportunity to challenge President Reagan on his record when the two debate foreign policy issues on television on October 21.

This will be the second of two televised debates the candidates will hold. The first, on October 7, will deal with domestic and economic issues.

In his interview Mr Mondale did not elaborate on what he meant by threatening to "quarantine"

# Cabaret dancer accused of running escape route

**From Richard Bassett, Vienna**

A group led by a Hungarian cabaret dancer alleged to be resposible for smuggling Czechs ans Romanians into the West has been rounded up by police in Budapest, the official Hungarian news agency, reported yesterday. The agency said the men, Herr Josef Fleischer and Herr Josef Dietrich of West Germany, met Miss Eva Bognar in a Budapest night club in which she danced. With Mr Hermann Van Bemmel, a Dutch lorry driver, she organized a series of barter deals with Czechs and Romanians on holiday in Hungary. For between DM8,000 and DM10,000 they could buy a seat in Mr Van Bemmel's lorry bound for The Netherlands. Once out of Austria, the refugees could seek political asylum in either West Germany or The Netherlands.

According to the report, the group has also been charged with black market dealing in Western goods brought in from Germany. Four accomplices were also arrested.

The number of Czechs and Romanians visiting Hungary for holidays has risen this summer, according to diplomatic sources. Hungary appears likely to become a transit point for people wishing to escape into the West.

## Journalists agree big salary cut

**From Trevor Fishlock New York**

Staff at the financially troubled United Press International news agency have agreed to a 25 per cent pay cut, as part of a plan to keep the agency afloat.

The company, which runs a worldwide news service, has been losing money for 20 years and this year has an operating dificit of £5.6m and owes about £7m.

The management hopes that pay cuts, lay-offs and other economies can avert closure.

UPI employs 2,000 people in 269 bureaux in the US and overseas. American editors have expressed concern that closure would leave the Associated Press, the largest American news agency, which has 300 bureaux across the world, without competition.

The 25 per cent pay cut has been agreed by the union which represents about half of UPI's employees. The plan is to restore pay to present levels by the end of next year. About 200 people are to be laid off.

## How Karpov took lead in world chess

**By Our Foreign Staff**

The protagonists in the world chess championship rested yesterday in Moscow, with the reigning champion, Anatoly Karpov, basking in the superiority he gained on Monday over his challenger, Gary Kasparov.

Karpov established a one-nil lead in the open-ended series in which the first man to six outright wins takes the title. It was the third game – the first two having been drawn – and was considerd by experts to be a positional masterpiece by Kapov.

**Third game**
**White Karpov. Black Kasparov**
**Sicilian Defence, Talmanov variation**

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| 1 | P-K4 | P-QB4 | 2 | Kt-KB3 | P-K3 |
| 3 | P-Q4 | PxP | 4 | KtxP | Kt-QB3 |
| 5 | Kt-Kt5 | P-Q3 | 6 | P-QB4 | Kt-KB3 |
| 7 | QKt-QB3 | P-QR3 | 8 | Kt-R3 | B-K2 |
| 9 | B-K2 | O-O | 10 | O-O | P-QKt3 |
| 11 | B-K3 | B-Kt2 | 12 | Q-Kt3 | Kt-QR4 |
| 13 | QxP | KtxKP | 14 | KtxKt | BxKt |
| 15 | QxQ | BxQ | 16 | QR-Q1 | P-Q4 |
| 17 | P-B3 | B-B4 | 18 | PxP | PxP |
| 19 | RxP | B-K3 | 20 | R-Q6 | BxP |
| 21 | RxP | R-Kt1 | 22 | B-B5 | R-K1 |
| 23 | B-Kt5 | R-K3 | 24 | P-QKt4 | Kt-Kt2 |
| 25 | B-B2 | B-K2 | 26 | Kt-B2 | B-Q4 |
| 27 | R-Q1 | B-Kt6 | 28 | R-Q7 | R-Q1 |
| 29 | RxR(K6) | RxR | 30 | R-K1 | R-B2 |
| 31 | B-Kt6 | resigns | | | |

# East Germans exploit Bonn-Rome rift

Berlin (Reuter) – East Germany yesterday seized on a dispute between Bonn and Rome to press demands that West Germany recognize its existence as a fully independent foreign state.

The Communist Party newspaper *Neues Deutschland* described as "downright scandalous" Bonn's formal protests to Rome over remarks by Signor Giulio Andreotti, the Italian Foreign Minister, last week that the division of Germany should be maintained.

"One cannot advocate good relations with the GDR (East Germany) and at the same time get excited when one hears that governments of other countries accept there are two German states and that sensible relations between them serve peace," it said.

Western diplomats said the Bonn-Rome dispute, now smoothed over, would have been welcomed by communist officials in East Berlin as strengthening demands that West Germany give it full diplomatic recognition, 35 years after the division of Germany.

They noted that the commentary, headlined "Moment of truth", emphasized demands which Chancellor Helmut Kohl of West Germany already made clear were not negotiable. These included recognition of separate East German citizenship and upgrading of their "permanent missions" to embassies.

The permanent missions were set up in 1974 after the establishment of formal relations



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## Canada's 40-strong Cabinet

# Mulroney puts his team to work on economy

**From John Best**
**Ottawa**

Canada's new Prime Minister, Mr Brian Mulroney, has taken office with the biggest Federal Cabinet in the country's history. He has set it to work immediately grappling with problems of the Canadian economy.

The composition of 40-member Conservative Cabinet, sworn in on Monday, was dictated by the party's success in obtaining landslide support from all parts or Canada in the September 4 election.

Eleven of the ministers, including Mr Mulroney, are from Quebec, which elected 58 Tory MPs against only one who sat in the last, Liberal-dominated Parliament. That one, Mr Roch Lasalle, was rejected and has been awarded the post of Public Works Minister.

There are also 11 ministers from Ontario, including Mr Michael Wilson of Toronto, who takes over the most powerful economic portfolio, that of Finance Minister. Mr Wilson, a former businessman, held the relatively obscure post of Minister for International Trade in the short-lived Conservative administration of 1979-1980.

The head of that administration, the former Prime Minister, Mr Joe Clark, is Minister for External Affairs in the new Government.

A total of 12 Ministers come from the four Western provinces, long a bastion of Conservative strength, while five are from the Atlantic provinces. One – the powerful Deputy Prime Minister and President of the Queen's Privy Council, Mr Erik Nielsen – is from the Yukon territory.

Six women are in the Cabinet, also a Canadian record. They include Miss Flora MacDonald, who was External Affairs Minister in the last Conservative administration and is now Minister of Employment and Immigration.

All told, 16 members of the 1979-1980 government are in the new Cabinet, which also includes Mr George Hees, a veteran Tory MP, who was a prominent member of the government of the late Prime Minister, Mr John Diefenbaker, in the 1960s. Mr Hees, aged 74, is Minister of Veterans Affairs.

Mr Clark, while delighted to get the External Affairs portfolio – he had made no secret of the fact that he wanted it – will not be happy that some of its authority has been stripped away.

As part of the Cabinet reorganization, M Mulroney abolished the Committee on External Affairs and Defence, of which the External Affairs *Minister usually acted as* chairman. The committee's responsibilites will be taken over by the Committee on *Priorities and* Planning, headed by the Prime Minister himself.

*Immediately* after Monday's swearing-in at Government House, Mr Mulroney called the Cabinet together for a brief session to clarify ministers individual responsibilities.

Yesterday the Prime Minister presided over the Cabinet's first working session.



Securely in power: A closely guarded Mr Mulroney leaving Government House in Ottawa after being sworn in.

### THE MULRONEY CABINET

*Prime Minister:* Brian Mulroney*. **Minister of Veterans Affairs:** George Hees*, **Senate Government Leader:** Duff Roblin*, **Minister of External Affairs:** Joe Clark*, **Minister of** *Employment and Immigration:* Flora MacDonald*, **Deputy Prime Minister, President of Privy Council:** Erik Nielsen*, *Minister of Justice Attorney General:* John Crosbie*, **Minister of** *Public Works:* Roch Lasalle*, **Minister of Transport:** Don Mazankowski*, **Solicitor General:** Elmer Mackay*, *Minister of Health and Welfare:* Jake Epp*, **Minister of Fisheries and Oceans:** John Fraser*, **Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion:** Sinclair Stevens*, **Minister of Agriculture:** John Wise*, *Government House Leader:* Ray Hnatyshyn*, **Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development:** David Crombie*, **President of the Treasury Board:** Robert de Cotret*, **Minister of** *National Revenue:* Perrin Beatty*, **Minister of Finance:** Michael Wilson*, **Minister of National Defence:** Robert Coates, **Minister of State (Multiculturalism):** Jak Murta, *Minister of Supply and Services:* Harvie Andre, **Minister of State (Fitness and Amateur Sport):** Otto Jelinek, **Minister of Science and Technology:** Tom Siddon, **Minister of** *State (Canadian Wheat Board):* Charles Mayer, **Minister of Labour:** (Bill McKnight, **Secretary of State:** Walter McLean, **Minister of State (Tourism):** Tom McMillan, **Minister of Energy:** Pat Carney, **Minister of State (Small Business):** Andre Bissonnette, **Minister of the Environment:** Suzanne Blais-Grenier, **Minister of State (Transport):** Beniot Bouchard, **Minister of State (Youth):** Andree Champagne, **Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs:** Michel Cote, **Minister of International** *Trade:* James Kelleher, *Minister of* **State (Mines):** Robert Layton, **Minister of Communications:** Marcel Masse, **Minister of State (Finance):** Barbara McDougall, **Minister of State (Forestry):** *Gerald Merrithew,* **Minister for External Relations:** Monique Vezina.

Those marked with an asterisk served in the Clark administration.

# Madrid airport in strike chaos

**From Richard Wigg**
**Madrid**

*Iberia, the Spanish state* airline, decided to cancel about *150 scheduled flights* yesterday as the third day of an indefinite strike by maintenance men caused havoc, particularly at Madrid's Barajas Airport.

The airline, which has still not full recovered from a five-weel pilots' strike during the summer, has declined to reinstate 63 dismissed technicians and has threatened *to take* on newly qualified personnel.

*The wildcat* strike of 1,700 maintenance men, which is not *backed by Spain's main* trade unions, is in pursuit of improved status.

Sēnor Enrique Barón, the Transport *Minister*, declined yesterday to intervene directly, *but told Iberia to concentrate* on transatlantic flights and *those serving the Balearics* and Canaries.

At Barajas there were large crowds sitting on their luggage *or vainly milling around* the information computers. Since *the June pilots' stoppage*, Iberia has been widely criti*cised for its public relations* with would-be passengers.

Iberia made losses of more than £142m last year, and persistent troubles between airline management and staff have led to demands in the press for the Government to consider privatization.

# More Nicaraguan parties threaten to boycott elections

**From Alan Tomlinson, Managua**

Several moderate and left-wing opposition parties taking part in general elections in *Nicaragua say they may* yet join the right-wing parties in boycotting the elections *if* the tense climate of the campaign does not improve.

The Democratic Conservatives and the Independent Liberals to the right of the ruling Sandinista Front and the Socialists, a traditional communist party to the left of the Government, agree that after a month of campaigning entirely free electoral conditions still do not exist.

They complain of unfair access to scarce resources such as paper, ink and paint, tyres to keep their transport on the road, and cases of intimidation by Sandinista activists. But the parties are principally concerned that a general climate of fear may be keeping their supporters away from public meetings.

The Conservatives and the Liberals managed to draw only lethargic crowds of several hundred to rallies last weekend in the southern provincial capital of Rivas, where their support before the Sandinista revolution was traditionally strong.

Party leaders believe people are staying at home from fear that Sandinista organizations which control rationed food supplies will take reprisals against those seen at opposition gatherings. They also say that large numbers of public employees are staying away in the belief that attendance might cost them their jobs.

Señor Clemente Guido, the Conservative presidential candidate, said: "People are frightened. The process has to be free of any type of pressure, whether political or economic.

"We will analyse our campaign at our national conference in the middle of next month and decide whether to go to the polls or not. We will not become the Government's accomplice by giving validity to bad elections."

The Independent Liberals, who have voiced similar concerns, are to make their final decision later this month. But their presidential candidate, Señor Virgilio Godoy, said he recognized a great responsibility since further withdrawals would only rob the elections of any vestige of legitimacy and lead to more bloodshed

The Government, which has been drawing crowds of several thousand to its public meetings, attributes the poor turnout at opposition meetings to lack of support.

It denies that state coercion is keeping opposition supporters indoors and has sent a circular from campaign headquarters to activists around the country urging them not to allow over-zealousness to hinder the other parties.

# US-Soviet dialogue pleases UN

**From Zoriana Pysariwsky**
**New York**

Señor Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, the UN Secretary General, welcomed the coming talks between President Reagan and Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, as a first step in easing East-West tension and disarmament.

He was speaking during a press conference on the eve of the thirty-ninth session of the General Assembly, during which delegates will have East-West relations uppermost in their minds.

The General said that the entire world awaited anxiously the resumption of meaningful negotiations betwee the nuclear powers to end the arms race, which he called a nightmare.

On the Falklands, question he said the stalemate between Britain and Argentina was no reason for despair. He would have talks with President Raúl Alfonsín and Sir Geoffrey Howe, the British Foreign Secretary, to ascertain points of common ground.

The secretary general said he was neither pesimistic nor optimistic on the Cyprus talks, which have gone into their second week. He hoped progress could be made between the Greek-Cypriot and Turkish-Cypriot communities by the end of the present round of negotiations on a set of working points outlining a solution.

# Koreans to meet again on flood aid

**From David Watts**
**Tokyo**

Wreathed in smiles, representatives of the North and South Korean Red Cross organizations met yesterday to test each others' intentions across the narrow table which provides the only contact point between the two countries.

But the smiles were not so much at the pleasure of the first joint Red Cross meeting in seven years as at the finer points of the diplomatic fencing match over the North's offer of flood *relief for the South. After* five-and-a-half hours of talks in the *Panmunjom truce village, it* was very much a diplomatic draw, with a replay set for Friday.

The North Korean representatives, distinguishable from their Southern counterparts by the Kim Il Sung buttons in their lapels, proposed that rice, textiles, cement and medical supplies be delivered by ship to Inchon, Pusan and Sokcho and by radio to Seoul.

The South responded by proposing that the seaborne goods go to Inchon, West of Seoul, and the eastern port of Pukpyong. The North agreed, but there was deadlock over the delivery of supplies by lorry to Seoul.

The South Korean Red Cross, well aware of the propaganda value, said road delivery was not in line with past Red Cross practice.

# Persecuted Tibetans get cash and jobs back

**From David Bonavia, Peking**

More *than 1,000 prominent* Tibetans have been rehabilitated in *the last five* years after being persecuted on unjust charges, *some dating back to* the 1960s, according to Radio Lhasa.

Some £300,000-worth of compensation *has been paid out* for salaries docked during the *Cultural Revolution period* (1966-76), the broadcast said.

*The rehabilitated political* victims are now working in the regional congress, Buddhist organs and the Government. Memorial ceremonies have been held for those who have died.

About £1m-worth of livestock has been allocated to former herd-owners and to *monasteries whose* herds were confiscated in the period of *"socialist reform"* which followed the armed uprising *against Chinese rule in* 1958 and the Dalai Lama's flight to *India in the following* year.

Negotiations are taking place to pave the way for a visit to Tibet by the Dalai Lama. According to the Peking leadership, he may return to Tibet as a spiritual leader if he wishes, but without the secular authority he once enjoyed.

Arrangements have been made to ease the living *conditions* of members of the former Tibetan Army who did not take part in the uprising, as well as aged lamas.

# Zapu to hold its first congress for 10 years

**From Jan Raath**
**Harare**

Mr Joshua Nkomo, leader of Zapu, announced that his party is to hold its first congress in 10 years next month, despite "intimidation and harassment" by the Government and the ruling party, Zanu.

Speaking at a press conference on Monday, he said 8,000 delegates were expected to attend the four-day congress, starting on October 12, in a sports stadium here. He was evasive over whether he had sought permission to hold themeeting, as Zimbabwe's state of emergency legislation requires all parties to do for public gatherings.

Mr Henry Mukurazhizha, Police Commissioner for Operations, said Mr Nkomo had made no such approach.

Zapu has been banned from holding meetings in the Midlands and Mashonaland West provinces. Seven people were killed in July and hundreds injured when supporters of Zanu roamed townships in search of adherents of other political parties.

# Export licence for Moscow's Belgian lathe

**From Frederick Bonnart**
**Brussels**

Pégard, the Belgian machine tool company about to go into liquidation last month because it was refused a licence to export a high-technology tool and die lathe to the Soviet Union, has now been granted a licence to export five.

In August a computer-guided lathe destined for the Soviet state machine importig company was stopped on the quayside at Antwerp on the orders of Mr Leo Tindemans, the Belgian Foreign Minister, who claimed it would be used to make SS20 and SS21 missile parts. The lathe was finally bought by the Belgian Army with US assistance.

The Ministry of Economic Affairs has confirmed that the minister, Mr Mark Eyskens, signed the export licence on Monday evening, but said that Pégard was making only the lathe bodies, the computers were being manufactured in West Germany, where the Government was responsible for the relevant licences.

# Agatha stages a triumph

**In the final part of our series Janet Morgan describes how Agatha Christie adapted some of her books for the theatre, and the very first performance of *The Mousetrap* 32 years ago**

As Agatha's fame grew, so did her correspondence from admirers. Some asked for advice: *others sent plots.* She declined to read unsolicited manuscripts (the successful author's bane) and refused well-meant suggestions by saying that she preferred to do her plotting herself.

She was never short of ideas. A train of thought might be prompted by an object, a place, a quotation, some overheard remark or unexpected sight. She always described herself as being unobservant, but for people's habits and bearing Agatha had a noticing ear and eye.

The plotting books show Agatha's mind at work, taking up an idea, playing with it, making increasingly elaborate variations, turning it inside out. There are more than 30 of these books, of all shapes and sizes. They cannot be indexed, though Agatha made a brave try late in life, because the notes for several stories are frequently intertwined, a single idea being developed in different ways, dropped and taken up again, or combined with others.

It was not possessiveness alone *which made Agatha resist the* blandishments to those who begged to televise her characters, put them on radio on stage or on film. She – and her agent Edmund Cork – guarded her creations with an eye as much to business as to artistry, but Agatha's reasoning went deeper than either. She preferred her characters to remain nebulous: even the picture of Poirot on a book-jacket pained her. Agatha's people, their appearance and surroundings, were created as archetypes, intelligible anywhere, in any epoch.

She understood that her books could be adapted for the stage only with great care, preferring to make the necessary amendments herself: 'This *could* be managed', she had assured Cork in 1942, in the discussions over *Ten Little Niggers*, 'but *I* would have to do it.' To suit the story to the stage, she drastically altered the end, as she did again in her adaptation of *Death on the Nile*. 'Less explanation – more action – I think there was too much *reasoning* before.'

'There is a large class of my books,' she explained to Cork, which is not full of 'thrills' and 'humour', such as, for instance, *Towards Zero, Sparkling Cyanide, Five Little Pigs, Sad Cypress, The Hollow* etc. And you really can't turn a Class B story into a Class A story.' Major surgery might be needed: 'the method of killing' in *Towards Zero* was, for example, 'not at all suitable, as difficult to explain', and *Murder at the Vicarage* was as 'it stood too complicated, 'particularly the clock business . . . Utterly confusing to an audience and one of those things which in a book you sit down and puzzle out . . .'

*The Mousetrap* opened in Nottingham in October 1952. Though the play needed minor adjustments, Peter Saunders was happy with it, if 'not terribly excited.' Agatha, who was there, thought it 'quite a nice little play' and forecast a run of six months or so. There is a myth that she wept and declared it a disaster: nothing could be less true. All seats were full for the first three months and it continued to prosper.

Agatha was quietly amused, keeping an eye on her creation by discreetly dropping into the theatre from time to time and reporting any lack of polish. The launching of *The Mousetrap* in fact marked an important moment. Agatha had learnt to apply her knack to the theatre. Here, too, she instinctively understood what the public wanted. Like her books, her plays had a *strong story, a mixture of tragedy* and comedy, and a swift pace. Her acts and scenes, like her chapters and paragraphs, closed at exactly the right point, and, as she stimulated her readers by constantly providing new information, so she presented her audience with a succession of characters and possible relationships. Like her books, her plays were intellectually demanding but safe; violence occurred off stage.

By now Agatha knew her audience as she knew her readers, and her producers, like her editors, acknowledged it. She judged casts and sets as coolly as titles and plots and she was rarely mistaken. Her theatrical touch was sure. *But she* could sometimes write extraordinarily badly, her grammar uncertain and her sentences full of tired metaphors.

A reader whose attention is urgently fixed on a story might overlook these deficiencies but critics, lingering on each passage, *are appalled. Such sentences* can sound even more strikingly stilted and weighted with cliches when read aloud and many actors, forbidden to deviate from her text for fear that artfully placed clues might thereby be lost, have found themselves struggling to make the dialogue in her pre-fifties work sound natural. Scriptwriting and, later, using a dictaphone, had a noticeably beneficial effect on Agatha's style. She had in any case the advantage of an excellent ear for tricks of speech and unusual phrases. Her dialogue tends to ring true in those books which venture *into 'other worlds', whether of* students, crazy ideologues, messy adolescents or eleventh Dynasty Egyptians.

She read vastly: a wide range of books, including anything that any one (children, the cook, philosophers) brought into the house, and an assortment of newspapers, including the *Daily Mirror* and the *Telegraph*. She did not like the radio or television but listened closely to other people's conversation, noticing popular catch-phrases as soon as they became current. Agatha did not talk much herself, except among her immediate family, and some of those who recall her conversation as brilliant are in fact remembering how fluently they talked themselves, drawn out by an attentive listener, who occasionally prompted them or produced some pithy remark.

If there always remained something slightly 'stagey' about the *conversation in Agatha's novels, it* perhaps derives from that withdrawn personality: the talk in her books was vicarious, planned. Using a dictaphone did not, however, seriously affect the tightness of Agatha's plotting or the consistency of the details of her narrative. In the 1960s loose ends appeared more often in her books, and there were slips and omissions, but these owed more to advancing age than to a change in working habits.

Many readers objected to 'anti-Semitic' and 'anti-Catholic' allusions in her work. Sensitive readers were certainly struck by Agatha's blunt and often uncomplimentary references to her Jewish characters. (There are in fact no disparaging allusions to Catholics.) The triviality of these remarks made them no less hurtful. *The Mysterious Mr Quin*, for example, had a passage about 'men of *Hebraic extraction, sallow men* with hooked noses, wearing flamboyant jewellery', and *Peril at End House* a condescending reference to 'the long-nosed Mr Lazarus', an art dealer whom another character described as 'a Jew, of course, but a frightfully decent one.'

It was only after the war however, that Agatha's publishers and then just her American publishers, began to receive protesting letters: 'It is a downright shame', Dodd Mead was told, 'to see an institution such as yours, which could be used in the interests of a permanent peace, publish such trash'. An unidentified reference in *The Hollow* had been found especially offensive. Mead was given permission to change such references. Ober also arranged that Dodd Mead should cease to forward correspondence from the public directly to Agatha.

Agatha mirrored in her book the attitudes of her class and generation, 'the usual tedious British anti-Semitism', as the historian Jacques Barzun called it in *A Catalogue of Crime*, prejudices that were also displayed in, for example, the work of John Buchan and M. R. James. Agatha's unsophisticated generalizations about Jews and Jewishness are a reminder that she did not share the inhibitions of a generation sensitised by the sufferings of the Levinnes in *Giant's Bread* shows that she could also write delicately and sympathetically about the prejudices a Jewish family encountered among upper class English people.

The phrases with which Agatha offended were painful not because they were vicious but because they seemed flippant: when she eventually met truly fanatical anti-Semitism she was, like many of her compatriots, incredulous. She described in her *Autobiography* her first encounter with National Socialism, in 1933, when the Director of Antiquities in Baghdad, a fierce Nazi, astounded her with a passionate outburst: 'his face changed in an extra-ordinary way that I had never noticed on anyone's face before'.

She was particularly irritated by *Thirteen for Luck*, presented by Dodd Mead in the United States in 1961 as a "selection of mystery stories for young readers." "My books," she objected "are written for adults and always have been. . . . I *hate* this "silly teenager business."

Her thoughts turned almost invariably to one theme. Nearly everything she wrote was about crime and its detection. The explanation is very simple: she could do it, she liked doing it, and it was her life. Quiet and competent, Agatha taught herself the trick of writing detective stories. Their length was one with which she was comfortable; she discovered exactly when to break each paragraph and close each chapter, she had a genius for titles and for plotting, and she was scholarly about checking medical, legal and typographical detail. As a girl she had abandoned a career as a pianist or a singer because she was not sufficiently talented; having found her *métier*, she kept to it.

*Her mind returned constantly to* plots and their unravelling. Secretive, oblique, clever at solving problems, she instinctively gave a twist to a tale. Agatha was moreover, a comfortable, sensible, ordinary person, and ordinary people are interested in good and evil, innocence and guilt. "I am of the same belief as Dorothy Sayers," she told a correspondent, "that the detective story is the direct successor of the old Morality Play. It is the triumph of good over evil – the deliverance of the innocent from the aggressor – that is what makes it exciting."



Writer in residence: Agatha Christie two years before she died. Photograph by Snowdon

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## moreover . . . Miles Kington

Moreover Enterprises Ltd are pleased and proud to present a world exclusive: the first ever interview with Prince Henry! The second son of *Prince Charles and third in* line to the throne was awake during the entire interview and hardly cried at all.

Moreover: We understand that you are not allowed to accept a fee for this interview, but we shall of course put an agreed sum into a trust fund for you so that in case the royal family has gone professional by the time you are 21, it will be waiting for you. *Till then, mum's the word.*

Henry: Murm.

Moreover: Exactly. Your Highness, there has been a great deal of speculation over the names chosen for you, ever since they have been announced. You will be known officially as Prince Henry and to the family as Harry, but do you in fact prefer one of your other names? *(Silence)* Or is there some other name which you would rather be called?

Henry: Gurg.

Moreover: Well, Prince Gurg, the royal family have always been known as great travellers and already in your short life you have visited Paddington, where indeed you started life, as well as Kensington where you were to move later. Do you find this constant travel tiring or do you find that you have managed to adapt well to your royal duties? And what did you reckon to the Bayswater Road?

Henry: Hurgh?

Moreover: That's the big one beside Hyde Park with all the paintings on the railings on a Sunday, which indeed was the very day you passed along it. Have you always been interested in art or do you think you are more likely to inherit your father's talent for the cello or indeed for imitating Goon Show voices?

Henry: Ooorm!

Moreover: Very good, Prince Gurg, you must have met many members of the royal family in your life, many more than most of us. To put it another way, there must have been some very funny moments in life at the Palace and I wonder if there is one that has particularly amused you?

Henry: Ye-e-erg . . .

Moreover: The moment you dribbled all over the Moreover interviewer?

Henry: Eerk.

Moreover: Well, that is certainly a blunt response, not unreminiscent of the forthright attitude of your grandfather, the Duke of Edinburgh.

Henry: Gur?

Moreover: The tall one going thin on top.

Henry: Nur.

Moreover: Well, a little thin on top, Prince Gurg, you have been very forthcoming in your answers to my questions at a time when you must be very tired and a little confused by suddenly finding yourself only three away from the throne of England. If you have time for one more question . . .?

Henry: Gargh.

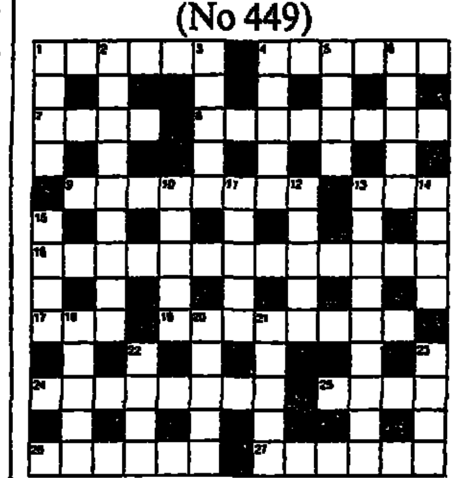
Moreover: . . . might I ask if you have a message for our readers?

Henry: Nurgh.

Moreover: Nurgh, says Prince Gurg. Your Highness – thank you.

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# The music man who keeps the maestros in tune



Laurie Sparham

Piano tuner Robert Glazebrook

Wherever there is a concert given by one of the world's top pianists the chances are that *the piano tuner – who pays nearly as much* attention to the performer as the instrument – will be Bob Glazebrook.

Mr Glazebrook, aged 56, is now the general manager of Steinway UK but remains a real "piano man" at heart and still spends half his time regulating and tuning for the world's top 20 performers.

His big break came with Rosalyn Tureck. "It was 1955. She was recording the Goldberg Variations at EMI on Abbey Road. She was unhappy with the piano and the tuner, and the sessions were falling to pieces. I was the only man on the premises. I expected disaster.

"There she was, pacing up and down. The producer had his head in his hands. Things were at a low level. I realized immediately that the piano was all wrong for Bach. She went home and I worked on it for four hours. When she came back she was very pleased, and from then on she'd never have anyone else tune for her."

Glazebrook continued: "Take Curzon. Very nervous he was. He had to have a music stand on the piano at concerts, even though he didn't use music. He couldn't stand seeing the mechanism dancing up and down. . .

"Or Radu Lupu. He sits on an ordinary chair, not a piano stool. At the Royal Festival Hall he uses one from the restaurant. *But we get him the one with the* special mark on it.

"Rubinstein. His contract specified his fee, a particular piano and me. I'd arrange everything: lighting, the height of the stool, his dressing room. And of course the hairspray. He had a dry skin, Rubinstein. His fingers polished up the keys until they were as slippery as glass. Hairspray gave grip. So I'd keep a little can of the stuff up my sleeve, and during the interval, while I was adjusting the piano, I'd pass my hand over the keys and give them a discreet spray.

"Or Horowitz. He came here a few years ago. First time for 30 years. Now Horowitz really creates his own pianos. I didn't want him coming over here for the first time in 30 years and not like the piano. In New York he has his own piano in our basement. I had it flown over. . ."

In the end, of course, the piano is very important. "Before the war, artists travelled with their own piano. Rachmaninoff kept three at Steinways for his personal use. Now we keep them for certain artists, particular instruments on which they have priority, although I occasionally let them out for someone else. It's good for a piano to have an airing. We have 25 to 30 concert grands available – they cost about £25,000 each – and eight are specially earmarked. " The artist doesn't need to ring me up. I just send his piano. I make sure that two top men don't have the some one, although I remember once Ashkenazi came in and tried piano 860. He said it was ideal. I said 'That's a Rubinstein piano. You can use it as long as you know he has priority.' "

Steinways are found everywhere. In China when western music came back into vogue after Mao's death in 1976, and six year olds began playing Chopin again, the Chinese asked Glazebrook to come and show them how to put their pianos back in shape.

"I first went there in 1982. I surprised them. I was the manager and in China managers don't touch anything with their hands. I worked with their regulators and tuners. I loved them but we had to go right back to the beginning."

This year, in April, Glazebrook went to China again, where the European Community Youth Orchestra and Radu Lupu were to perform in Canton, Shanghai, and Peking.

"That Canton piano was the worst one I ever saw." Glazebrook says. It was 48 hours before Lupa was to play the Beethoven's Third Piano Concerto. "As far as I could see, no one had done it anything but harm for 30 years."

For two days, watched by jittery local tuners, Glazebrook took the piano to bits. An hour before the concert he had done what he could. Lupu warmed up a bit and said to the apprehensive Glazebrook, "Nice job. Maybe this is the sound Beethoven heard." Glazebrook frowned and replied: "Maybe. But Beethoven was deaf."

A week later in Peking, reputedly the home of China's best piano, Glazebrook rippled keys even yellower than those in Canton and, on the morning before the concert, heard only a dismal clunking. "It's dead." The Chinese technicians were aghast. Surely within 11 hours. . . . ?

Eventually another was located miles across the city, in a dark corner shrouded by hanging carpets. Ten feet away, the Central Orchestra, muffled in overcoats were playing "Til Eulenspiegel."

In the dark Glazebrook tickled the ivories. "Now that's a piano." A van appeared and he had five hours to bring the piano to "nearly acceptable London standard."

It was exotic but routine. "I've never, ever, cancelled a concert because of the piano", Glazebrook says firmly.

**Jonathan Mirsky**

## WEDNESDAY PAGE

# Intimate revelations of a Tsar's passion



### Lovers still send ecstatic letters to each other but, as a Christie's auction shows today, few can have written as many as Alexander II and his princess

Before I conducted a *straw poll* among my friends asking "Do you ever get love letters?" I had assumed Buzby would have pecked them out of existance.

On the contrary. Far from being ousted by the *telephone*, the exquisite thrill of writing, and even more so of receiving, a letter seems as popular as ever it was in the age of romanticism.

Even a hard-nosed feminist in her global satellite-linked office confessed she wrote "really slushy stuff" when she was separated from her husband.

Once or twice I was answered with one of those coy sideline glances former movie queens used to reserve for camera close-ups, intimating seductive secrets tied up with blue ribbon. And a Cambridge graduate, blushing at being asked in front *of his chortling* family admitted: "Well yes. But it's a bit embarrassing to think about *them now we no longer see each* other".

Quite. But keeping love letters is part of the pleasure and presumably why a well-preserved batch of 965 between Tsar Alexander II and his mistress, Princess Catherine Dolgoruka are *available for* auction at Christie's today. They were love letter writers of extraordinary dedication, thoughtfully numbering and *dating* each one for the voyeurs of posterity.

He addressed her as "my angel" and she *started all her* letters to him with "my husband" although when their torrid affair began he was *married to a German Empress* called Marie and Catherine was only 17. Their letters are full of *agonizing justifications* that such a perfect union as theirs must be condoned by God if not by society. "In the eyes of God you are my husband", appears a lot, an argument doubtless familiar to the scores of Christians filing through the divorce courts nowadays.

The Princess was frequently banished by her family from St Petersburg to escape the Tsar's attentions and the scandal, but *she could never stay away* for long. She would send anguished coded telegrams signed "Hoffman" *from the Polish frontier* warning him of her arrival. "My heart flees to you" she would say.

Sending coded love messages by *telegram can be a* risky business as I discovered years ago when I did the same and it turned up on the telex machine of the newspaper where I was working. Executives monitoring the rumblings of a war in Cyprus at the time formed a huddle round this strange *missive* trying to decipher what it could mean, as I watched in consternation.

*Eventually* light dawned on one of them (him for whom it was intended) and he smoothly *comandeered the tear sheet.* He'd got the message all right.

One of my friends told me *she became so carried* away by her affair with a married army captain she promoted him to general in her letters because she loved him madly and *thought he merited the elevation.* It seemed harmless enough except there happened to be a general with the same surname who opened it, read *the purple* prose and the flak, as they say, fairly hit the fan.

The possibility of having their intimate thoughts exposed rarely, of course, occurs to lovers. *Certainly* the besotted Tsar would never have dreamt their private word for love *making "bingerle", with* which their letters are littered, would be made public. Nor that the auctioneer's hammer would put a value on his saucy descrip*tions of what they did the* evening before, or morning, or afternoon. It seems their "bingerle" was *cleverly organized* so affairs of state would not interfere.

For students of Russian history their letters would make *very disappointing* reading for the Tsar never writes about politics, or court gossip and talks dismissively about his duties. According to Christie's manuscript expert, Brigid Allen, who has translated the letters, he comes across as a man who *would be far happier as a* devoted suburban husband and father.

*That I find hard to believe,* except that love letters do sometimes take on a life of their own. A psychologist told me a shy man will write sensual poetry because he is too embarrassed to say those sort of things face to face but whether he remains shy or is transformed into a raver must depend on the follow up.

*One acquaintance let me* peek at letters sent to her by an immensely reserved man who had been her boyfriend. I was astounded they were from the *same person.* Yet even though he could express himself with such fulsome ardour in a letter, she told *me their relationship* never progressed beyond the platonic. Strange.

Interviewing her made me realize there is an aspect of love-letters I hadn't considered before. If there is an art to *writing them* there seems, equally, an art in getting them too. She is now receiving love *letters from a new admirer* trying to make his name in New York who says things like "I want you to be proud of me". So how does she do it?

*Simply* by writing letters herself. She doesn't start off writing love letters, but she is a great letter writer. If you write them someone writes back and *so it goes on until you get into* the habit, which it must have become for the Tsar and his mistress who *wrote* to each other every day for years and years with refreshing devotion.

They wrote in French with no crossings out, the thoughts *flowing unchecked, although* sometimes the Tsar lapsed into Russian when he needed to express himself in more passionately earthly terms, and they both signed off in Russian with "yours forever."

They always began their letters, *written* on unlined, unheaded octavo paper, just *after seeing each other,* adding bits to them throughout the day so each would know what the *other had been doing.* "It was so lovely to see you, I can still see the happiness in your eyes. I am *sitting down at my desk and I* am doing my favourite thing which is write to you. Now I am *going to sleep.*"

Rather prosaic stuff but in its own way just as touching as the overblown *outpourings of* a Keats to his Fanny. Alexander II wrote to his loved one as if he were talking to her: "I saw you at the ball last night looking pale and I wondered . . .". Why he should wonder in that veiled way when they both knew she was *pregnant is a mystery,* unless he was worried that his letter would be intercepted.

In the event Catherine had a miscarriage which was another scandal the family tried to hush up by packing her off to take the waters elsewhere but she returned as ever.

The affair lasted almost 20 years and she eventually gave birth to two children, first a boy, then a girl, by which time there wasn't much left to be scandalized about.

Their love affair almost had a happy ending for after the Empress died the Tsar and Catherine were at last able to *marry, but he was assassinated* a year later in 1881.

**Heather Kirby**



Alexander II: 965 letters during a 20-year affair

# Taste the apple of your eye all the year round

*Apples are always available, usually cheap and sometimes even free. New ideas for using them are always welcome and* The Apple Book *by Jane Simpson and Gill MacLennan is being published by The Bodley Head on September 27, price £4.95, just in time for the apple harvest. Gill MacLennan, the senior cookery writer of* Woman's Realm, *is the third of our four guest columnists.*

**GUEST COOK**

**Gill MacLennan**

It's hard to think of a fruit that has more all-round appeal than the apple. And it would be very difficult to find a better time to sample *the new* season's orchard-fresh flavours.

Tart or sweet, for eating or cooking, the apple is a versatile ingredient in so many recipes, from soups, sauces and savoury *dishes* to our *favourite homely* apple puds.

If you have been blessed with a tree that is groaning with fruit you can preserve some of their autumn freshness until the nights start getting brighter again. Late varieties store especially well. Pick them before they are ripe, *place them* in a bucket and leave them to cool off overnight.

Discard any that are even slightly damaged or have no stalk. Store in seed trays that greengrocers are *usually happy* to give away, in a cool dark room well away from potatoes, *pears or* anything with a strong smell such as paint or onions.

Slip screws of newspapers *between them* so that they don't touch one another and check frequently for any suspect fruit. A rotten apple is as infectious as a child with measles!

If you prefer to savour them now try them in these very different ways – tossed in a buttery lemon toffee and topped with a glowing cheese pastry for an unusual pie, in home-made sausages *dusty with sage or in a* melt-in-the-mouth blue cheese quiche with a superb nutty pastry.

**Blue Cheese and Apple Quiche on Walnut Pastry**
*Serves four*

*Pastry*

225g (8oz) wholemeal flour
Pinch of salt
110g (4oz) butter
55g (2oz) walnut pieces
1 egg

*Filling*

170g (6oz) Lymeswold cheese
170g (6oz) Dolcelatte
110g (4oz) smoked ham
2 small sweet eating apples
2 tablespoons milk
1 teaspoon caster sugar
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
2 eggs

To make *the pastry:* place the flour and salt in a bowl. Add the butter, cut into small pieces and rub in *with the fingertips until* the mixture resembles breadcrumbs.

Finely chop walnuts and stir in. Lightly beat the egg and mix well to a firm dough. Roll the pastry out to a large circle 7mm (¼in) thick and line a 20cm (8in) fluted flan tin.

Prick the base with a fork and *chill for 30 minutes.* Place the tin on a baking sheet, cover the pastry base with a sheet of greaseproof paper, fill with dried beans and bake blind in a preheated moderately hot oven (200°C/400°F, gas mark 6) for 10 minutes. Remove the paper and beans and *bake for a further* 10 minutes. Reduce heat to moderate (180°C/350°F gas mark 4).

To make the filling, remove the rind from the cheeses and *cut into small pieces, trim the* fat from the ham and chop, peel, core and finely chop the apples. Place the cheese, ham and apples in a heatproof bowl with the milk, sugar, salt and plenty of pepper.

Place the bowl over a pan of boiling water and stir gently until the cheese has melted. Remove from the heat, lightly *whisk the eggs and stir in.* Pour the mixture into the pastry case and bake in the centre of the moderate oven for 40 to 45 minutes or until the filling is well risen and dark golden.

**Home-made sausages with grated apple and herbs**
*Serves four*

450g (1lb) minced pork
225g (8oz) minced veal
1 tablespoon fresh chopped sage
Pinch of dried marjoram
30g (1oz) fresh breadcrumbs
1 tablespoon salt
1 tablespoon freshly ground black pepper
3 sweet eating apples
Flour to coat

Place the pork, veal, sage, marjoram, breadcrumbs, salt and pepper in a bowl. Peel, core and finely grate the apples and add them to the bowl. Mix all the ingredients together thoroughly.

Sprinkle a little flour on to the work surface. Spoon out *even-sized balls of the mixture* and roll them in the flour to make chunky sausage shapes.

Grill for eight to ten minutes until evenly browned.

**Cheese and apple pie**
*Serves six to eight*

*Pastry*

170g (6oz) plain flour
Pinch of salt
*Pinch of mustard powder*
110g (4oz) butter
110g (4oz) Red Leicester cheese
1 egg yolk
1 tablespoon water
Beaten egg to glaze

*Filling*

1 medium-size lemon
55g (2oz) unsalted butter
*55g (2oz) dark soft brown sugar*
900g (2lb) sweet eating apples

To make the pastry, sieve the flour, salt and mustard powder in a bowl. Coarsely grate in the butter, scooping some flour on to the grater from time to time to stop the butter sticking, and finely grate in the cheese. Stir lightly to mix. Lightly whisk the egg yolk and the water together and add, stirring well to make a firm dough.

To make the filling, finely grate the lemon rind and squeeze the juice. Melt the butter in a large pan, add the *sugar, lemon rind and juice* and shake the pan over a medium heat to make a soft toffee.

*Do not stir* or *the sugar* will crystallize. Peel, core and slice the apples into the pan and toss lightly to coat. Pour into a 1.75l (3 pint) pie dish.

Lightly flour the work surface and *roll out the* pastry to an oval larger than the pie dish about 7mm (¼ in) thick. Cut a strip from round the edge of the pastry and press it in to the lip of the pie dish. Brush with a beaten egg.

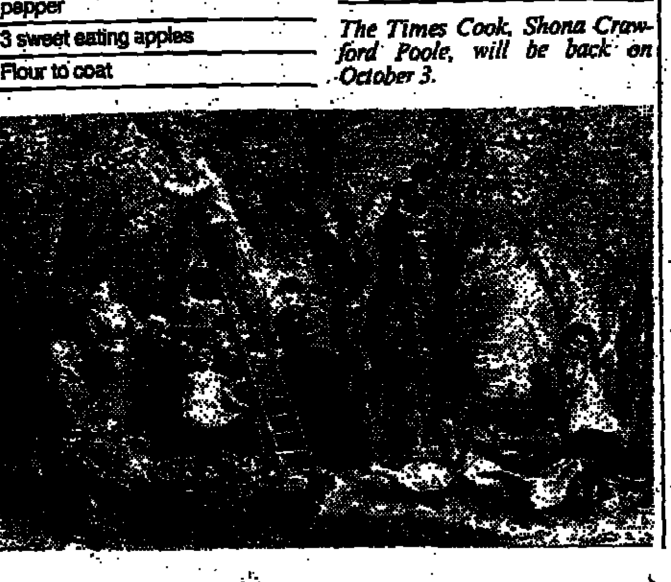
Arrange the pasty over the top of the filling and press the edges well to seal. Trim off the excess pastry and knock up the edge with the back of a knife.

Mark a patter with a fork, flute the edge and brush the pastry well with a beaten egg.

Cook in the top of a preheated moderately hot oven (200°C/400°F gas mark 6) for 25 to 30 minutes or until the pastry is golden brown. Serve hot.

*The Times Cook, Shona Crawford Poole, will be back on October 3.*





### Four million youngsters in the US go to summer camp every year, but for many it's just another refuge from a broken home





The weather's warm, the theme is fun, the noise is deafening – it's summer camp time

# Americans are just camp crazy

As I write I am sitting on the *third floor* of a *large wooden* lodge 8,500ft up in the Rocky Mountains, where the only *sounds ought to be the whirring* of humming birds and crickets punctuated by the tap-tapping of blackbirds and the playful cries of chipmunks.

In fact, I can hear no sounds of nature at all. Three stereo tape recorders are blasting out different stages of the complete works of Michael Jackson, someone is thumping out heavy *chords on a piano on a floor* below, and an aerobics workout is in progress around me. Outside the air is filled with the shrieks and cries of 200 children.

And this, as I have found after much careful investigation, is *the quietest place in* the camp.

Summer camps are as distinctive a feature of the American way of life as baseball matches and high school graduation. These have never really been exported.

*Although an increasing* number of temporary bus stops seem to be appearing every summer around the English Home Counties indicating pickup points for day camps, I suspect that like our hamburgers they are pallid and flavour*less imitations* lacking the full-blooded heartiness, the atmosphere and, indeed, the genuine American noise of the originals.

If there is a British institution that comes near to fulfilling some of the functions and representing some of the values of the American summer camp, it is the public school.

Just as some British parents spend as much as *£6,000 a year* to part with their children during term time, so a much larger number *of American* parents pay proportionately just as much to get their offspring out of the way *during the long* summer holidays by packing them off to camp.

In both cases there *is a strong* belief in the educational benefits and character-building properties of *the communal life.*

There are more than 8,000 summer camps in the United States. Every year *around four* million children pass through their gates between the middle of June and the end of August. Some come as day campers, bussed in from nearby towns. Others stay as residential campers for one or more weeks.

A significant proportion go *off to camp for the full* 10 or 11 weeks of the summer holiday, at a cost of around £2,000 each to their *parents.* Local social services departments provide a number of "assisted places" for poorer children in need of a holiday.

It is hard to avoid the conclusion that one of the major reasons for the extent of summer camps in the *United* States is the country's high divorce rate, which is *currently* around one in two. Camp provides a neutral and reason*ably stable place for divorced* parents to park their children during the holidays.

*The camp where I have been* working is certainly used for the purpose. Significantly, its application form is specifically geared to the needs of divorced and separated parents. They are asked which parent has custody of the child, which one the child *lives with,* and, *not least* important, which parents will be paying the camp bill.

*The* US Internal Revenue Service provides another major boost to the camp movement by allowing working parents to set £2,000 of every child's camp *expenses against tax.*

It is sadly clear from the disturbed behaviour and the *cravings for love and affection* of many of the children at the camp that they come from unhappy homes and have been sent away to what is seen as a more stable environment.

This aspect of the camp's function puts a severe strain on *counsellors, most of whom are* themselves just college students, who live 24 hours a day with a group of a dozen or more children to whom they are expected to act as *surrogate* parents, advisers, examplars, friends and leaders.

> **'The level of apparent sophistication has taken some getting used to'**

*Many of the values which the* camps try to foster come straight out of the British public *school tradition. Religion* and patriotism both loom large. The camp day begins with the *solemn raising of the Stars and* Stripes and the state flag (just about the only time when *something approaching silence* reigns), and the singing of "God Bless America" or "My Country Tis *of Thee*".

Many camps are run by church groups or have specific *denominational affiliations.* The one where I have been working is family-run and *opens its doors to all faiths, but* even here every meal is prefaced with grace and every*one is expected to attend* an outdoor inspirational service on Sunday morning, held on the *aptly-named* Vesper Hill.

There is also much emphasis on the Arnoldian virtues of character training, leadership, community life and the doctrine of *mens sana in corpore sano.* Alcohol, smoking and drugs are banned from camp, as is "unclean" talk about sex and the use of dirty words.

The food is plentiful and healthy. *If it hadn't been for the* acute water shortage, I have a *feeling that we might even have* been enjoined to take a cold shower before breakfast.

*There* is also a strong emphasis on maintaining old traditions. One of the most popular activities at our camps is Indian lore, where the children are taught Indian crafts and cooking in large teepees. One of our most successful all-day events was a Gold Rush Day, which recreated the atmosphere of the pioneer era *in the West.*

Evenings are filled with camp fires, talent shows and energetic *games like Capture the Flag,* designed to tire out the children before bedtime. On the whole, competitive games are shunned in place of so-called new games which offer more scope for cooperation and fewer for scoring points off opponents.

When *I took* on my unpaid job as an activities instructor (nature and singing), I was sent a large package of *reading* material which included an essay on "The Positive Approach". It urged that instead of using authoritarian expressions with *the children like "Clean up* your room, or else", or "Don't you ever do that again", camp staff should *rather* say: "It would be a good idea to tidy your room" or "Please keep from doing that."

I must admit that after just a *few days at camp I began* to feel that perhaps it wouldn't be such a bad thing if American children heard the forbidden word "don't" just a little more often.

*Certainly* the kids at camp weren't at all inhibited about using it to the staff. Within half an hour of arriving, weary and jet-lagged, I was given a severe dressing-down by a seven-year-old for walking on the grass and failing to keep to the path.

The general level of precocity and *apparent* sophistication of the children has taken some getting used to. I was rather *stunned* when at one of the regular Friday evening barn dances I asked a six-year-old *girl to dance* and she replied: "No offence, Ian, but you're just not my kind of guy".

*Yet it has been reassuring to* find that nearly all the kids, including the young madam who *spurned* my *attentions on* the dance floor, have not been above enjoying the game of I Spy and singing *their* way through American folk songs and *The Sound of Music.*

The most popular number by far with my singing classes at the camp has been *Doh Ray Me,* followed by *Skip to My Lou* and a catchy song which I didn't know at all before I came out here about *the* sinking of the Titanic. *Puff the Magic Dragon* and the Beatles' *Yellow Submarine* have also gone well. I might add for the benefit of those thinking of volunteering their talents in this direction in the future.

For those who positively *revel in noise and organized fun* and games, working in a summer camp can be an interesting and *inexpensive* method of seeing American life in a way you never could as a tourist.

If, like me, you are restricted in time and can't or don't want to *spend all summer* there, then the best thing is to write direct to a camp. Many are listed in the various directories of summer jobs abroad published annually for students. That way, you won't get any pay or travel expenses, but you will get free board and lodging.

If you are free for the whole summer (*mid-June to late* August), apply to Camp America, 37 Queen's Gate, London SW7. If you are accepted, you will be placed with a camp that will pay your travelling expenses and some pocket money.

On *balance,* I think, I have enjoyed the experience, but if I do it again, I'm bringing some *earplugs.*

**Ian Bradley**



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## Odds behaviour

Even before David Steel's astonishing disclosure yesterday that he may step down as Liberal leader, the Young Liberals had already issued odds on his succession. In their magazine, *Liberator*, now being distributed in Bournemouth, these are listed as: Alan Beith, evens favourite, 3-1 Paddy Ashdown, 5-1 Michael Meadowcroft, 10-1 David Penhaligon – and at 100-1, Clement Freud and Cyril Smith. In an article which must have been a great source of embarrassment to the leader, the Young Liberals disclosed that Liberal MPs have held secret meetings to discuss the "leadership problem", and that potential successors are attending "all manner" of meetings as a prelude to their own leadership bids.

## Bitov cheek

David Steel detects a remarkable change of heart in Russia's welcome back to defector Oleg Bitov. He was at the British Embassy in Moscow when news of Bitov's escape to the West was announced. At that time, Soviet officials assured him that Bitov "was a bit of a nutter" and that Britain was welcome to him. "We can give you plenty more of them if you want", said one. On behalf of Britain Steel declined, suggesting they set up an exchange.

## Red letter day

Frederick Forsyth has his own ideas about Bitov. In London to launch his novel, *The Fourth Protocol*, Forsyth tells me of a long, expensive and – on Bitov's part – liquid lunch a few months ago at which Bitov showed his determination to write Chernenko a provocative "open letter" over the treatment of his family. Forsyth compares Bitov's departure with the poison-umbrella death of Georgi Markov in 1978. As journalists, both Markov and Bitov may have had stories to tell of the private lives of Soviet apparatchiks. Clearly fascinated, Forsyth believes there could be a novel in the affair, adding generously: "Tell you what, I'll send you the synopsis and you do the work."

● **Compassion in World Farming has chosen October 2, Mahatma Ghandi's birthday, to launch a new campaign against cruelty to animals. By somewhat tasteless coincidence a well-known meat company has chosen the same day to make its award to the Master Butcher of the Year.**

## Rotten joke

Roy Jenkins is the most misunderstood man in British politics – in his own Glaswegian constituency, Hillhead, that is. Over lunch yesterday the jovial Roy (who endearingly asked if he could have an expensive starter, oysters, and a cheap main course, spaghetti) related the embarrassing problems of comprending the local lingo. When holding an "advice bureau", a local implored him "to keep out of the rotten pork." Assuming it was some diseased meat, Jenkins willingly agreed. His enthusiasm earned him more than the odd vote: wht the Glaswegian had actually said was, "can yor keep out the rotten Pope".

## One in the eye

The blanks fired from Milo O'Shea's gun in the West End production of *Corpse* have been landing in all sorts of embarrassing places. But the other night a doctor had to be summoned when the blank shot an American tourist in the eye. As fears of million-dollar lawsuits ran through the cast's mind, the victim's partner announced to all: "Don't worry. He's never had such fun since the Second World War." Now I am told O'Shea is considering changing his Christian name to Rick.

## Cabinet dry

Freeloaders won't be getting drunk from David Steel's drinks cabinet. I am told the Liberal leader has instructed the Ladbroke Savoy in Bournemouth, where he is staying during the conference, that his personal hospitality bill should not exceed £200. Thereafter, a visit to his rooms will be strictly BYOB.

## Finger of fate

By their sticky fingers were they undone. Scotland Yard's retired fingerprints chief, Gerald Lambourne, catalogues in his book *The Fingerprint Story*, to be published later this month just where the Great Train Robbers' prints were found in their Aylesbury farmhouse hideaway. Ronald Wilson (30 years), on a packet of salt; Ronald Edwards (15 years), an envelope; Robert Welch (30 years), a Friary Draught Bitter pipkin; James White (18 years), a copy of the *Oxford Mail*; Bruce Reynolds (25 years) and Ronald Biggs (30 years), a bottle of Heinz tomato ketchup . . . and a game of Monopoly.

## Return match

Ken Livingstone yesterday arrived to address his inevitable GLC fringe meeting in Bournemouth. Tomorrow, however, he can expect a return visit. Some 50 Liberals plan to board a coach at midnight tonight bound for the Paddington constituency where Red Ken contests his GLC by-election. There they will deliver "Good morning – vote Liberal" leaflets to every house in the ward before heading back to Bournemouth in time for Thursday's debates. What one might call "a dawn raid"

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# Miners: now for the human touch

**by Francis Pym**

There is a myth about the miners' strike, usually propagated by the Labour Party, that a ready compromise lurks somewhere in the wings. It is hinted that only the Government's intransigence prevents a solution, and that other more flexible people – even more flexible Conservatives – would end the strike in no time.

This is nonsense. However it is dressed up, the final outcome will be a defeat for one side or the other. For the sake of us all, let us hope it is a defeat for Arthur Scargill.

The miners' strike belongs to the NUM president. He wanted it, he has engineered it and – even though he may not be winning – he still controls it. He has no alternative, constructive plan of his own for the coal industry. He wants more coal to be mined and more miners to be employed – don't we all? – but has no apparent idea how this objective is to be achieved economically.

He has no intention of compromise. He talks airily of being "constantly prepared to negotiate", but what he means is that he is constantly prepared to reiterate his unchanging demands. In view of this, how can anyone believe that any compromise is available to the National Coal Board other than a capitulation? And, in this case, capitulation by the coal board would have the most horrifying and far-reached consequences.

I believe that the great majority of the nation – possibly even a majority of miners, if one could only find out – understand the issues involved in the dispute and would be resolutely opposed to a sell-out by the Government or the coal board. Fortunately it will not happen. It is perfectly possible both to see the need to resist Arthur Scargill and to be deeply concerned about the level of violence in the dispute, the long-term effect on mining communities and the unanswered question as to where new jobs will come from to replace those lost in the mines and in other traditional industries.

These mixed feelings cannot be altogether reconciled. Nor is it possible for the Government to do much to alleviate the depths of bitterness and division between miners. Antagonism is unavoidable, and it stems directly from the way Arthur Scargill has chosen to conduct this dispute. But there is still an urgent need for the Government to do all it can to promote harmony and understanding in the nation, and to minimize the conflict. To this end it would help if the Government talked aloud more fully and thoughtfully than it has.

It is right and necessary to condemn intimidation by the bully-boys, but those are not the only words to say on the subject. The Government must also show it understands the feelings of thousands of non-violent striking miners, who are justifiably afraid of what their future holds. The harsh words should be reserved for those who lead the strikers and for those who have perpetuated or condoned violence and lawlessness.

The Prime Minister and the Cabinet should seek to mobilize public opinion. There is scope for stronger pressure to be applied against Arthur Scargill in this way. During the Falklands crisis, a parliamentary debate every week played a crucial part in uniting the nation. The coal strike has hardly been debated at all. Why not? It is and always has been a national crisis, and as such should be debated constantly in Parliament. And a periodic address from the Prime Minster to the nation, setting out the perspective, the dangers and the way ahead would make an important contribution to the nation's morale.

Along with this, both the Government and the coal board should devote more attention to new job opportunities for those leaving the coal industry. Most people accept the statistical argument about uneconomic pits; less easily do they accept the prospect of a lifetime without a job. In fact, the coal board has taken significant steps towards helping with retraining and with attracting new industry to mining areas. But more emphasis needs to be placed on this work – and more emphasis generally on the human side of the problem, and not just the economic side.

I believe that these things would help deepen public understanding of the dispute and its implications for the future, and would hasten its settlement. But neither they, nor anything else, can change the fundamental truths about the strike. Until Arthur Scargill can be persuaded to bend, there can be no solution.

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**An end may be in sight to the war that is four years old this week, writes Henry Stanhope**

# The gulf narrows – slowly

Philippe Ledru/Sygma



**A hospital on the Iranian frontline in 1980: the casualties have been enormous**

Peacemakers who have been hovering despairingly over the Gulf War between Iran and Iraq are hoping that a new approach may win some ground at the UN General Assembly, which opens this week.

They are searching for an alternative to the four-year-old war which, while stopping well short of a permanent settlement of this ancient quarrel, might lead to a ceasefire. The difficulty so far has been that the Iranians have refused to accept mediation or anything less than a humiliating surrender by the Iraqis and their Baathist leader, President Saddam Husain. Now for the first time there are signs, so far only flickering lights in the gloom, that Tehran might begin to see reason.

Officially Iran's peace conditions remain the same – the return by Iraqi troops of any remaining "occupied territory", financial reparation for Iraq's "war crimes"; acceptance of the Baghdad government's "war guilt"; and the overthrow of Saddam himself. For Tehran to drop any of these might still be seen as a loss of face – one reason why it would be difficult to envisage formal peace talks and a negotiated final treaty. But visitors to Iran have reported signs of a war weariness which suggest that a no-war/no-peace compromise might not be too much to work for.

Last June Iran as well as Iraq responded positively to an appeal by Señor Javier Perez de Cuellar, Secretary-General of the United Nations, to refrain from attacking civilian targets. Both countries even agreed to accept teams of UN observers who could monitor compliance with the agreement. Each has accused the other since then of violations, but neither has felt sufficiently confident to call for the UN team to visit the scene.

The hope now is that both sides might be persuaded to accept other similar constraints upon their fighting. The next step might be an agreement to leave alone shipping in the Gulf.

Given the spate of attacks recently, this might seem like wishful thinking. But Iranian air raids here have been retaliatory, and more greatly limited than many thought likely – especially since one of their Phantom bombers was shot down by a Saudi Arabian fighter.

The Iraqis, moreover, have partially achieved their objectives by alarming the international community and reminding them of the need to help end the conflict. Iraq, after all, would probably settle for a return to the 1975 frontiers, so great is its desire to stop the fighting.

Other constraints upon the types of weapons used and the area covered by the war, could gradually lead to a de facto rather than a de jure peace which would then allow diplomats to get down to the business of converting this into a lasting treaty.

What makes observers think that Iran would contemplate this process? One reason is the failure of the Iranians so far to begin their long-awaited land offensive in the south. This is thought to have been because army commanders have decided that they would stand little chance of achieving their objective – a breakthrough to Iran's second city and main port of Basra – and would in the process only weaken their ranks through heavy casualities.

Not long ago the military professionals would have been overruled by mullahs keen to launch wave after wave of revolutionary guards at the infidels. Now it would seem that the Tehran government is listening to reason.

If this is so, then it must be clear to them that they have now lost their chance to take the offensive. The ideal time would have been immediately after the smaller spring offensive, when the Iraqis were still regrouping. Had they assembled a larger reserve army in the rear they might just have won a victory.

As it is, the Iraqis have had time to re-equip – to an extent which has made them look by far the stronger force, according to a recent Congressional report. They have also strengthened their defences, building large fortifications to the east of Basra which have evidently impressed the Iranian field commanders. Most important, however, is the fact that their morale has been steadily rising, after the casualties they inflicted during the Iranian spring offensive.

The Gulf War has never been short of mediators. The Gulf Cooperation Council, comprising the other Gulf powers, is now in continual contact wth Tehran – another sign of more encouraging Iranian attitude. Egypt – working through the non-aligned movement – Algeria and the Islamic Conference have also tried and so far failed to stop the fighting. Britain is among those countries which believe that the best chance of success lies with Perez de Cuellar and his special Gulf representative Olof Palme. Not so long ago Iran would have dismissed the UN as a sham. Now there are indications that it might be prepared to step forward from its position of diplomatic isolation.

Looking further ahead, the Iranian demand for the return of Iraqi "occupied territory" can be easily met, and some agreement over reparations is not too hard to imagine. Its insistence upon the recognition of Iraqi "war guilt" might be dealt with by appointing a UN commission to investigate the origins of the conflict. Ayatollah Khomeini's insistence upon the removal of his arch enemy Saddam Husain looks in theory more difficult. But not even the mullahs can believe in their chances of setting up an Islamic republic in Iraq, where the large Shi-ite population has remained loyal to its political leader.

The General Assembly starts in New York only a few days before the fourth anniversary of the war, which the pundits expected to be over in four weeks. This year it will be not only a testing ground for East-West relations, but an opportunity to explore just how far Iran will go to make this anniversary the last.

# Rioting's over, but the doubts remain

**Godfrey Morrison reports on the long-term problems facing Tunisia's future leaders**

**Tunis**

Unlike so many national father-figures, President Habib Bourguiba cannot be accused of suffering from delusions of immortality or of not trying to arrange for an orderly transition after he has gone.

The stocky but now physically frail Bourguiba, who has just celebrated his 81st birthday, showed a lively interest in the construction of a splendidly sculpted marble mausoleum in Monastir, his home town, where one day he will be laid to rest. And he has shown unwavering support for his designated successor, Prime Minister Mohamed M'Zali, aged 58, even following bloody riots in January which many observers – and it appears M'Zali himself – initially thought might cost him his job.

But it is now clear that the riots inflicted heavy political and economic wounds on Tunisia, a model of political stability and economic progress among developing countries, which are proving very slow to heal, and causing many Tunisians to express fears for the future.

A doubling of the bread price sparked off the riots, which left 84 dead and over 900 wounded, and the situation was only restored by Bourguiba announcing on television that he had reversed the decision.

This capitulation to the rioters weakened the political credibility of the regime and subsequent events have done little to restore it. In private many Tunisians and diplomats now question whether the Bourguiba regime will be able to survive without Bourguiba.

This worry may well be alarmist. The country's current political malaise is due, in part at least, to the sharp contrast between the riots and the almost unbroken political calm and economic growth since independence in 1956.

Officially the government claims that a historical line has been drawn under the January events by a recent trial in which the then interior minister, Driss Guiga, was sentenced to 10 years in his absence for treason but the trial excited almost no public interest, and the government's theory that the former minister had deliberately tried to use the riots to get M'Zali's job looked extremely thin.

Most Tunisians appear to believe that although Guiga and some of his police subordinates may have shown shortcomings in dealing with the riots, finally brought under control by the army, the reality is that he was used as a scapegoat in the endless jockeying for power by the top members of the leadership.

As one senior member of the political establishment put it to me: "If you look around this country and see what we have achieved since independence I think you will admit that we have done well. But if we have a major fault it is that many of us in the political elite waste a lot of time in squabbling and petty jealousies."

A consequence is that the ruling Parti Socialiste Destourien (PSD) is suffering from that sclerosis which afflicts parties long in power: they remain a bureaucratic mechanism through which the ambitious can seek power and influence but lose their popular appeal.

The current malaise in one of the Arab world's most pro-western countries is seen particularly among the young – half the seven million population is under 20 – and it was the young who took to the streets in January. More than 60,000 people enter the job market every year and even in boom times the economy cannot provide that many new jobs. These are not boom times and the demographic safety-valve once provided by Tunisians going to work in Europe has been progressively shut off.

Moreover, the country is only now counting the real economic cost of the riots: not the repair of the gutted buildings and burnt out cars, but the financial measures forced on the government to replace the intended savings in bread subsidies.

Food prices have been modestly raised, but to balance the books the government has introduced a number of new taxes, raised prices on many goods ranging from petrol to many imported items, and has cut back or deferred development projects. With inflation rising again many observers predict a struggle in the next few months between the government and the powerful trade unions over wage demands.

The government appears well aware of the widespread disillusionment and last month's decision to release 17 jailed Muslim fundamentalists, the leadership of the Mouvement de la Tendence Islamique (MTI), is widely seen as a move to reach an accommodation with a political force that has considerable support among the young.

On top of its domestic problems Tunisia has now to contend with the pact between Libya and Morocco. Tunisia's foreign policy has always been to try to keep on good terms with the other countries of the Maghreb, but the new pact has emphasized the division of the region into two blocs: Algeria, Mauritania and Tunisia are signatories of a treaty of friendship and concord, to which the new "union" is widely seen as a rival grouping.

**Robin Cook**

# A voting lesson for the Liberals

There is a government in Israel at last. For six weeks since the election Simon Peres has laboured and on the seventh week he has created a coalition.

The reason for the intervening state of anarchy is the punctilious system of proportional representation practised by Israel, which in July left the balance of power in the hands of a baker's dozen of minor parties, none of whom received more than 4 per cent of the popular vote but nearly half of whom had to be corralled into a coalition government before anybody had a majority. It is an object lesson in the disproportionate power which PR confers on minor parties, made all the more sharp in this case since the minor parties in question are a pot-pourri of religious fanatics and political extremists.

Tell it not in Bournemouth, which this week is honoured with the Liberal Party Conference, on whom PR in Britain would confer the same power to determine which major party should be placed in office and with it the parallel power to turn them out of office, without the inconvenient requirement of an election, by switching allegiance.

Such an arrangement has obvious attractions for the Liberals but is open to the partisan objection that the remaining four-fifths of the electorate would be denied the power to vote *them* out of office, as PR would guarantee Liberals a permanent presence in government whoever was in power.

There are also non-partisan objections to PR. The variety of PR systems are as plentiful as the supply of constitutional jurists, but ultimately they can all be classified under one of two species.

First there are those versions which depend on party lists from which candidates are returned in direct proportion to the votes cast for their party. The flaw in this arrangement is the alarming degree to which it leaves control in the hands of party headquarters. The power of the present prime minister is already sufficiently advanced without the additional right to sit down with Mr Gummer and hand-pick her next crop of backbenchers.

Nor does this control expire when the polls close, as it is a universal feature of this system that vacancies are filled by the next in line. It was a fortnight after the Euro elections before one governing party on the Continent reached a final view on whom it wanted elected, and then instructed those whom it did not want, to stand down in their favour. In the last European Parliament the Gaullists systematically stood down in annual rotation so that everybody on the list got a chance to be an MEP, including those rejected by the electorate.

The blemished character of the list method has obliged the Alliance to favour the second family of PR systems based on mega-constituencies in which a multiplicity of candidates are returned by preferential voting. The irreducible problem of this arrangement is that in order to provide scope for proportionality it is necessary for the constituencies to be vast – the whole of Leeds or Suffolk, to take a couple at random from the Alliance proposals. Thus this form of PR would extinguish just as effectively that intimate link between an MP and the tightly defined constituency which is the unique feature of the British electoral system.

It is not just that the scale of such a mega-constituency would make it impossible to service the electorate in the manner that diligent Members at present court their own constituencies. In an electorate of half a million, influence of the individual resident or community association is reduced to vanishing point, and the electoral incentives to keep them would vanish also.

Admittedly MPs would find it wondrously liberating to be relieved of the drudgery of local advice surgeries and the round of voluntary organizations, but the quality of their deliberations may not be enhanced by the loss of immediate contact with the real problems that perplex their electors.

It is true that most MPs were elected on a minority share of the vote in their own constituency. Indeed there are 60 current MPs who were returned with a share of the vote below 40 per cent, and to save anyone the trouble of checking the reference, let me confess to being one of them. If this is perceived to be unacceptable, there is a way of repairing it which does not involve smashing up the constituencies.

It would be perfectly possible without altering the present electoral map to introduce preferential voting on the Australian model, in which candidates at the bottom are eliminated and the second preference of their voters distributed among the remaining candidates until one of them had secured half the votes cast. This solution would preserve the existing constituencies and ensure that every representative had the support of a majority of his or her electorate.

The neatness of this solution is no doubt marred for the Liberals at Bournemouth by the awkward fact that it would probably result in the election of fewer Liberals than a system based on pure proportionality. They must decide for themselves whether they are really prepared to sacrifice the traditional relationship between MP and constituent to their own partisan advantage.

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**Digby Anderson**

# Undeserving sick who bleed us dry

No new thinking on the National Health Service can be expected at either the Labour or the Conservative Party conferences, perhaps no thinking of any kind. For Labour the NHS is a benevolent deity to be offered uncritical, traditional worship: for the Conservatives, an idol before which they will stiffly bow, if bowing will bring in the votes. All parties are for it. Opinion polls show the public firmly behind it. Only a handful of market economists oppose it.

But even these sceptics are under the NHS spell. They, no less than the devotees, subscribe to the myth which permits the NHS to survive unreformed – the assumption that it is a service. In fact NHS stands for Nationalized Hybrid Services and includes a range of activities and goods which have little in common and which the slightest thought would reveal as appropriately subject to different moral principles and sources of funding.

Some of the Hybrid Services are not health or medical services at all, if those terms are used in a precise sense. Furthermore, many goods sold outside the NHS by the market have far more impact on mortality rates than the "health service" itself, notably food and housing. It is understandable that men should worship health, even nationalized health; but it is absurd that they should be spellbound by initials.

Abortion is the extreme example. Many of the thousand or so abortions carried out every week by Nationalized Hybrid Services have little to do with health; one prominent view considers them a death service. But one does not have to share that view to recognize that the vast majority of abortions, female sterilizations and contraceptive services are not health services, and indeed divert scarce hospital beds, professional time and allegedly savaged funds from those who are genuinely ill.

Once the heterogeneity of Hybrid Services is recognized, one can start to *think* about each service and its funding individually. The NHS can, in a literal sense, be dismantled. The question is no longer to defend or to abolish the whole, but which services to fund by the state and which by charges.

The much-vaunted public support for the service will no doubt continue for state funding of treatment for long-term chronic and expensive, unforeseen, acute conditions, typified by senile dementia and road accidents. It is by exploiting these two great fears as characteristic of the whole of the NHS that its devotees have manipulated opinion into apparent popular support for the whole.

Response to more precise questions might be very different: is it desirable that the clean-living poor, earning as little as £45 a week, should be punitively taxed so that the promiscuous rich can enjoy free abortions costing perhaps £500 each? Is it unreasonable to ask those with adequate means to pay the cost of their food and laundry in hospital, as they would at home, so that lives could be saved through the purchase of more kidney machines?

These hotel charges would be about £70 per average visit and could be insured against privately for a modest premium. They could have an annual ceiling of, say, £100. Such charges are already made in Socialist France, the *forfait hospitalier*.

But there is another reason why certain conditions, including that often "treated" by abortion, might not popularly be felt to merit public subsidy; they are self-inflicted. Popular wisdom, much to the irritation of progressive thinkers, is obstinately attached to the distinction between the deserving and undeserving needy, and has scant sympathy for those who court poverty or disease in the search for pleasure and then demand aid from others. Should "resources" be withheld from children's wards so that adults convicted of dangerous driving can have 100 per cent free treatment after their accident? Or should the adults pay a contribution to the cost, again insurable?

Of course it may be that, given the chance to answer these precise questions, the public might ask for more activities to be brought within the NHS and taxes substantially raised. We do not know. Questions spelling out the different items provided by Nationalized Hybrid Services, their cost, those who benefit, those who pay and the services forgone to pay for others, are rarely asked.

Even basic costings in the NHS are notoriously unreliable. Indeed it appears those in charge do not know the facts. Asked in the Commons for the total cost of NHS abortions, Kenneth Clarke bluntly replied. "This information is not available centrally".

Government and Opposition clearly prefer dancing around the NHS totem to thinking about health. Indeed the ritual phrase "the NHS is safe with us", means "safe from rational evaluation".

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# THE SCRAPHEAP OF REVENGE

Peace between east and west today is achieved by what President Reagan has described as "the threat of revenge". The nuclear doctrine which is appropriately called MAD – mutually assured destruction – is based on the theory that, since neither side has an effective defence against missile attack, each would be deterred from launching an attack by the threat of retaliation from the other. In March 1983 President Reagan said: "I have been more and more deeply convinced that the human spirit must be capable of rising above dealing with other nations and human beings by threatening their existence". He called for a programme of research to explore the possibilities of developing systems to intercept and destroy nuclear missiles so as to render them impotent and obsolete.

One would have expected such a principled declaration to be welcomed, since it revealed a desire to break out of the depressing jargon of mutual retaliation. There was enough evidence that the doctrine of mutual retaliation was losing credibility with ordinary mortals. More important, there was overwhelming evidence that the Soviet Union had never embraced such a doctrine on principle, and had been working busily away at improving its defences against missile attack, through both its extensive civil defence programme and a persistent research effort into anti-ballistic systems.

However, instead of supporting Mr Reagan, the fraternity of strategic thinkers and military scientists mostly opposed the principle with tenacity, using a wide variety of arguments to belittle the idea, by sneering at its "Utopianism", questioning its cost and feasibility, and suggesting that it would upset the Soviet Union.

The argument is far from over but at least the possibilities of Mr Reagan's research programme have been rescued from being stifled at birth, which might have been the result if they had prematurely become the subject of space disarmament talks which failed to take place in Vienna on Monday.

It is too soon yet to talk to the Soviet Union about this programme which is at an early and vulnerable stage of research funding, whereas the Soviet research programme has proceeded unchecked, and invulnerable to political criticism, since well before the 1972 US/Soviet Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty which banned construction and placed certain technical limitations (which have been easily circumvented by the Soviet authorities) on development work.

It is hardly surprising that the Soviet authorities reacted negatively to the Reagan announcement in view of the fact that Soviet scientists have been working on the possibilities of beam weapons for nearly 20 years. Marshal Sokolovski discussed an "anti-rocket screening system" in a book in 1962 and by 1971 the Lebedev Institute in Moscow had succeeded in generating 300 billion watt pulses from a high energy laser, the kind of intensive power which, to judge from all other frontiers of Soviet scientific research, would be initially pursued and evaluated for military usage. In 1982 a Soviet battleship fitted with a high energy laser shot down a pilotless aircraft while American intelligence has evidence that Soviet lasers have also been used successfully to bring down incoming missiles. There is a military thrust behind all Soviet developments in high temperature physics. According to a Rand Cooperation report, Soviet researches have managed to invalidate the theoretical limits on the control of high temperature set out by Western scientists.

At this stage, the possibilities of beam technology can only be explored; but they should be. The detailed objections to the idea in practice reveal only a reluctance to contemplate the possibility that the foundations of contemporary nuclear theory are fallible and obsolescent.

Mr Reagan's critics argue that the strategic defence initiative will be too expensive, or that it would at best only provide a partial defence, or that it would destabilize the Soviet relationship (who can claim that it is stable anyway?) or that it would be unfair to the European allies who might not be able to afford such cover, or that it would heighten the risk of conventional war and impose an extra requirement to improve non-nuclear forces, or that there are more cost effective things to defend than people and cities.

Many of these arguments are contradictory and should anyway be discounted until the research programme has managed to provide more pointers to the likely potential of beam weapons. They seem likely to introduce a new dimension of technology which is bound to affect the contemporary equations between offensive and defensive systems. In principle, however, it must be right to prefer a defensive system, albeit an imperfect one, than to continue with the arid menace of mutual assured destruction.

# DID HE JUMP OR WAS HE PULLED?

So now we know what happened to Oleg Bitov. Or do we? There are various explanations, but none provides all the answers. Nor indeed did Mr Bitov attempt to answer all the questions put to him at his Moscow press conference. His tired appearance, the fact that his family remained in the USSR during his absence, and the whole sordid history of Soviet media manipulation would suggest to many that his melodramatic tale of kidnapping and blackmail by British secret agents was nonsense from beginning to end. Nonetheless, he named names and supplied addresses and telephone numbers.

It is normal practice, however, for Western security services to interview Soviet defectors, provide them with a safe house to protect them from KGB retaliation, and leave them with a contact telephone number when it is judged possible for them to move around more freely. Once Mr Bitov had published in the British press his reasons for not returning to the USSR, he would appear to have done his worst and therefore be less at risk. But these articles gave the lie to *Literaturnaya gazeta*, the important Soviet weekly newspaper for which he had worked; when he disappeared during a visit to Italy last year it published the very theory of kidnapping (etcetera) now strangely supported by Mr Bitov's present testimony. Visiting Moscow last January, the Liberal Party leader Mr David Steel, was told by the editor, Alexander Chakovsky: "You've pinched one of my staff, but he is a fool and I might be able to let you have one or two more like him".

All those who met him during his sojourn in the West confirmed that Oleg Bitov came here willingly, but there is much disagreement about his motives. The various reasons he himself gave, from the shooting down of the Korean airliner to the lack of freedom, were plausible explanations, if not individually, then when taken in total. But there were uncharitable Russian emigrés from Moscow literary circles who said from the first that Mr Bitov was "well known as a KGB *stukach* (informer)" and had certainly come to the West to fulfil some task.

What could the Kremlin expect to gain from such an extraordinary exercise in disinformation? Here at least the answer is straightforward. There are several instances of professional secret agents from the USSR and the East European countries who have staged a defection to gather information. Some took jobs with the Western radio station broadcasting to the Soviet block and then returned to slander the genuine emigré broadcasters in specially arranged press conferences. Of course such operations are an acknowledgement of the importance of Western broadcasting in a society based on strict censorship.

If Mr Bitov returns to normal life with his wife and daughter in his former circle of friends, and if his work again appears regularly in *Literaturnaya gazeta*, then these suspicions will be confirmed. Soviet authorities, troubled by repeated defections, will cite the Bitov case and claim that "as is well known" British secret agents kidnapped innocent Soviet citizens. This fits well with recent warnings in the Soviet media of the need to shun all contacts with foreigners.

But if Oleg Bitov disappears into the camps or internal exile after a spurt of publicity, another theory will gain strength: that he was forcibly abducted by the KGB or blackmailed into returning by pressure on his family. The long silence before his public performance already lends some credence to this version. Moscow has certainly not won a propaganda victory, since it should be clear to all that no such incidents can arise in states where citizens are free to travel abroad with their families.

# A MESSAGE, BUT NOT A MANDATE

Britain's electoral system lends itself awkwardly to deciding single issues. As an endorsement of the Greater London Council, or rather as a rejection of the government's proposals to "streamline" it out of existence, Mr Ken Livingstone's by-elections tomorrow are clumsy. A stunt, the Prime Minister called them; so they are, and so is much of politics, local and national. But gamesmanship will not invalidate these contests as a signal of public unease at the restructuring of London's government. Conservative Central Office, to the chagrin of local activists eager to put up against the demon-king in Paddington, has been consistent and done its best to stir up apathy. For every vote cast, for or against the motley of candidates in the four constituencies, will actually authenticate the GLC politicians' pleas for longevity.

That the municipal government of the capital is imperfect is a commonplace of a century since Lord Salisbury undertook his Tory reforms in the 1880s. Mr Jenkin has convinced neither on the practicality of devolving important conurbation-wide functions to the boroughs (he hesitates on town and country planning; the Home Office will rightly have no truck with dismantling the fire brigade; other services are disposed according to no easily discernible principles); nor on the propriety of dispensing with direct elections in local administration. The recent suggestion of a standing committee of London MPs has no impressive precedent (the Scottish Grand Committee is an organ of tiny numbers and midnight conclaves) and no chance of bipartizanship. A turn out tomorrow by voters in Westminster, Hillingdon, Enfield and Lewisham, even in no larger numbers than municipal polls usually attract, ought to occasion misgivings within the Department of the Environment even at this late stage in the preparation of the substantive abolition legislation.

Yet these elections are potentially dangerous. The danger is that a vote registered in protest at the government's plan is seized on by Mr Livingstone and his party as an endorsement of the current controllers of the GLC, as approval of the "local socialism" practised and preached at County Hall during the past three years, and in evidence in town halls elsewhere in the capital. This doctrine, however softened by Mr Livingstone's interviewing charms, is one of radical re-distribution of income through the local tax system; geographical favouritism; an unmandated extension of the scope of tax-financed activity; a refusal to confront the municipal trade unions and hence a failure to manage effectively; a substitution of the quiet administration desired both by rate-payers and service beneficiaries with loud and expensive "campaigning".

It would be a pity if voters who want to keep the GLC – or some reorganized form of London-wide government became unwitting accomplices of Mr Livingstone's projects for socialist transformation. The polling lists offer, perhaps with the Alliance candidates, alternative expressions.

## Sour surplus

*From Miss Susan Casely*

Sir, I would like to bring to the attention of the relevant bodies one of the many anomalies of the EEC milk quota system.

The island of Islay has a large dairy industry, but none of the milk leaves the island. All milk surplus to local requirements is used by the Islay Creamery to make their distinctive and very popular butter and cheese.

The creamery cannot produce enough of these products to meet demand. However, because of the milk quota system, farmers are having to pour milk down the drain rather than sell it to a buyer with an expanding market. If the local creamery became uneconomic it could close, and then the local farmers would have no outlet for their milk.

Would the Milk Marketing Board ship it to the mainland? I doubt it. The result would be a disaster for the economy of the island.

SUSAN CASELY,
4 Winton Grove,
Edinburgh.
September 9.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Need for airline competition

*From Lord Kinnoull*

Sir, In the last few months there has been immense political activity about airline routes and civil aviation policy. I personally doubt whether anyone can add much to the arguments at this stage. The views of all the various parties seem clear.

I think, however, that at this time it is important to reflect upon what the debate is about. There seem to me to be two principle issues and it is upon these issues that the Government should concentrate when coming to their decision.

The first is over what kind of civil aviation industry we want. Do we want an industry in which effectively one company is, by virtue of its historical rights, in a dominating position and is therefore a dominating influence over air transport policy, or do we want an industry with a number of active and innovative participants? I submit that the latter is the only one of these options which is consistent with Government policy on industry and competition.

The second major consideration is the consumer. Government policy favours giving consumers the benefits of competition and more choice over services and prices. It is hard to see how they will be able to exercise that choice if the market is dominated by a single very influential airline.

I do not think it would be appropriate for me at this time to take the side of any one airline that is involved in the current debate but, through your columns, I would like to advise the Government most strongly to find a solution that favours an industry in which there are several strong competitors. I believe that is the solution that would most favour the consumers.

Yours faithfully,
KINNOULL,
House of Lords.
September 13.

## Sped away

*From Mr Anthony Maynard*

Sir, Your Diary (September 11) reports that the new public image British Airways is commissioning for itself may extend even to erasure of the Speedbird emblem, known with affection the world over since BOAC days.

May the possibility of this pathetic piece of change for the sake of change be given a wider airing, to drum up customer opposition, lest the gnomes at BA let it through on the nod?

Yours faithfully,
ANTHONY MAYNARD,
193 John Aird Court,
St. Mary's Terrace, W2.
September 12.

## Energy subsidies

*From Sir Richard Dobson*

Sir, Mrs Thatcher has reminded us that coal is heavily subsidized. She might also have reminded us that oil, coal's main competitor for the time being, is artificially priced and heavily taxed.

North Sea oil is sold, by decree of British governments of both parties, at "world" prices, as determined largely by Opec. The difference between production costs, which could be about half the fixed selling price, and the price paid by the consumer is taxed at something like 90 per cent.

This fiscal-cum-social protection of one domestic source of energy against another has merit in the long term but might be criticized if both activities were operated by private enterprise – not least by consumers.

Any move to make coal even more expensive (by mining uneconomic pits) calling for even greater subsidy would place an unreasonable burden on this generation for the far-from-certain benefit of the next.

Your faithfully,
RICHARD DOBSON,
16 Marchant Road,
Richmond,
Surrey.
September 8.

## Calling the tune

*From Mr James Scott*

Sir, The French Education Minister is quoted as saying that a society which does not trust its teachers has no future. *Qu'est-ce qu'il dit d'une société qui ne les paie pas?*

Yours sincerely
JAMES SCOTT, Secretary,
National Associaton
of Schoolmasters/Union of
Women Teachers, East Surrey,
29 Lady Margaret Road,
Crawley,
Sussex.
September 10.

## Hongkong under new management

*From Mr David Herman*

Sir, Bernard Levin (September 15), no doubt with the best humanitarian intentions, approaches the Hongkong problem with his heart rather than with his head. He completely ignores the position and sensibilities of the mainland Chinese. Any Chinese government, irrespective of its political hue, would reclaim its territory in 1997 with as few conditions as possible.

The fact that the Chinese Government is preparing a formula for transition at all is an acceptance of the reality that to strengthen her economy and to pursue her modernization programme it must show good will and give assurances that foreign investments will be safeguarded and give economic returns.

Hongkong is the linch pin in this device. It is there that the best assurance to the Hongkong Chinese lies. Bernard Levin ignores the fact that the leaders ruling China today were the victims of the same factions that made so many Chinese citizens flee to Hongkong. The joint ventures and the encouragement of direct foreign investments in mainland China (advertisements for which abound in the British financial press) make the present regime in China unique among communist countries.

There are no guarantees in history. It is only the practical that will survive. There will, no doubt, be an exodus from Hongkong during the next thirteen years. The size of this exodus will largely depend on favourable socio-political changes within mainland China itself. The present omens are good. The vast majority of the Hongkong population are faced with a great challenge and many opportunities, because mainland China desperately needs the administrative and managerial skills which abound in the colony.

The impending new status of Hongkong can lead to many new opportunities for British business and influence. This would be a practical way to help the Hongkong Chinese and so avoid a "terrible fate", which Bernard Levin dreads, in his very emotional but unrealistic outburst.

Fortunately it is not Bernard Levin but Sir Percy Cradock who advises HM Government.

Yours sincerely,
DAVID HERMAN,
63 Mill Lane, NW6.
September 16.

*From Mr Norman Barrymaine*

Sir, The admirable second plea by Mr Bernard Levin on behalf of the people of Hongkong has come too late. An agreement, to be called "A Declaration", has been reached between China and Britain for Hongkong after June 30, 1997, and is to be initialled in Peking on September 25 or 26. It covers every aspect of Hongkong life.

Although the declaration falls far short of what the British negotiators aimed to secure when the talks began two years ago, it is a much more detailed document than China originally demanded.

The agreement will have the merit of removing the uncertainty about the future and it is hoped will restore confidence – the all-important element in Hongkong continuing to remain prosperous.

Mr Levin's proposal that Britain in the intervening 13 years mounts an international resettlement operation for any of the five million-odd Chinese who wished to avail themselves of it would, in my submission, constitute a breach of the proposed agreement.

The most important clause in the agreement states that Hongkong, after June, 1997, becomes an autonomous administrative zone for 50 years. In other words, it is to be a capitalistic area within a socialist state. The Chinese Constitution is to be amended to provide for this.

Mr Levin shares the fears of many others, that the Chinese Government in 1997 might repudiate the terms of the new agreement. That cannot be denied, but no government can commit a future government. All that can be said at the moment is that China has an unblemished record in keeping international treaties.

Hongkong under British rule has become a thriving financial and industrial area because of the skill and hard work of its Chinese population. In offering to make Hongkong an independent administrative zone Peking rightly expects to inherit that labour force in 1997. If Britain took part in an international operation which would significantly deplete it, it would be contrary to the spirit of the proposed agreement.

Although the agreement may fall short of what Britain and the people of Hongkong would have wished it is now incumbent on all parties to ensure that it works. This is a great responsibility. If it is seen to work, it will remove any temptation on the part of Peking in 1997 to change the rules. There are many who firmly believe that Hongkong has a great future.

Yours sincerely,
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83620 Bargemon, (Var),
France.
September 17.

## Winning wines?

*From the Director of St George's Wines*

Sir, If I may divert your attention for a moment from the miners' strike...

The Wine Development Board have just issued a tasting guide to dry and sweet white wines. Yet out of nearly 50 wines from all over the world rated in the guide there is no mention of English wine. On whatever criteria you choose it seems to me, as a producer of English wine, absolutely staggering that the Wine Development Board should have deliberately ignored the wine produced by over 200 different vineyards in this country.

The board say their guide is for leading white wines. But if by leading they mean quality, I am amazed they include Vino Verdhe and medium British sherry and not English wine. I bet more of your readers would consider English wine had more quality than British sherry, medium or not.

If, however, by leading they mean quantity again I am amazed. They include such exotics as Austrian Beerenauslese – which, incidentally, they spell incorrectly – and Muscat de Beaumes de Venise. I bet you more English wine is sold in this country than these two wines combined, yet they are included and English wine is not.

Would any other wine-producing country in the world produce an international guide to wines and leave out the wines of their own country?

To me the Wine Development Board's guide is distinctly corked and flabby, even mouldy in parts, something, incidentally, English wine is not. I believe it should be withdrawn and replaced by something more balanced and refreshing with a touch of finesse – more like our own English wines, in fact.

Yours faithfully,
GAY BIDDLECOMBE, Director,
St George's Wines,
Waldron Vineyards,
Heathfield,
East Sussex.
September 1.

## Weighty problem

*From Mr S. F. Stenhouse*

Sir, The real reason for the lateness of BR trains has now been revealed. As we pulled into Waterloo this morning, the guard announced: "this train is three minutes late due to heavy passengers."

Yours faithfully,
S. F. STENHOUSE,
22 Strathville Road,
SW18.
September 14.

## The tune in 'Noon'

*From the Very Reverend Alfred Jowett*

Sir, In the interests of the American style of scholarship and in order to set James Fenton's enquiring mind at rest (book review, September 13) I can identify at least part of the quotation from D. H. Lawrence's *Mr Noon*. The tunes (incorrectly given)

The roses round the door
Make me love mother more

come from a song to celebrate the return of US soldiers after the First World War – in this case to Tennessee.

It contains such poetic gems as

At home in Tennessee
That's where I long to be

and goes round the family group as follows:

And at table next to Mabel
There's an extra chair

and

I see my sweetheart Flo
And friends I used to know

I regret that I do not remember the third and fourth lines of James Fenton's quotation. As they do not scan I fear that they must be rejected as inauthentic.

You may think, Sir, that your space is too valuable for this letter to be printed. But if the Australian Mrs Porter and her daughter rate a mention in *The Waste Land*, why not celebrate the GI's return to Tennessee in a second edition of Lawrence's novel. The note would fit in well with the others amusingly referred to by James Fenton.

Yours faithfully,
ALFRED JOWETT,
37 Stone Delf,
Fulwood,
Sheffield,
South Yorkshire.
September 13

## Catholic presidency

*From Mr Bart Harrington*

Sir, Your Diarist's comments (September 11) on the Duke of Norfolk's retention of the presidency of the prestigious Catholic Union, one of the official consultative bodies of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, reveals the very difficult position in which he has placed the bishops.

The Duke's public rejection of the Catholic Church's authoritative teachings on artificial contraception, Anglican orders, and the central, unique role of the Pope in the infallibility of the Church, as confirmed by Vatican II, is well known. The loyal acceptance and propagation of these same doctrines by the bishops are absolutely unquestioned.

The bishops must therefore be in a dilemma. If they appear to do nothing to remove the Duke from his office, they are in danger of being judged as acting as if dissent from important teachings is of such little consequence as to make infidelity to the Magisterium irrelevant to the holding of high office in the Church in England and Wales.

If, on the other hand, they use their power and influence to ensure that he is removed from office, they will be accused of conducting a witch-hunt. A continuance of the present situation can only harm the Church, and reduce the credibility and effectiveness of the Catholic Union.

However, the Duke himself can resolve the bishops' dilemma. He can resign the presidency. Alternatively, he can withdraw, in as public a way as he made it, his rejection of the teachings concerned. It is inconceivable that he has not been informed where he is wrong and given the necessary guidance.

The Duke is, of course, entitled to his own private views which, it must be assumed, cannot be those of the Catholic Union as a body. He must, however, appreciate that the importance of the office he still holds, and the status the media accord him as "Britain's premier RC layman", require compatibility between his private views and his public role.

I am not a member of Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice. I write as a private individual

Yours faithfully,
BART HARRINGTON,
9 Hillcrest Road,
Great Crosby,
Liverpool.
September 13.

## Challenging view of world history

*From Professor G. R. Elton, FBA*

Sir, World history, says Mr Austin Arnold (September 14) is emerging as an academic discipline in its own right. Leaving aside the possibility that what is emerging is a non-academic display of indiscipline, one still welcomes the fun to be got out of running about the steppes instead of the same old boring open fields.

But Mr Arnold also proves the truth of the notion that one of the historian's main tasks lies in exposing false assumptions. He takes it for "axiomatic that we are moving towards the global village". In such discussions, axiomatic tends to mean "unproven but convenient" and this axiom is demonstrably false.

Sixty years ago a world came to an end in which frontiers mattered little, passports were required for entry only into the Ottoman and Russian empires, and visas were unknown. A few large units covered the better part of the globe, providing easy contact and coexistence for very diverse peoples.

Of this world hardly anything survives today; perhaps only Russia and India continue as entities of the old kind in which various nations were ruled by one imperial power.

The building of nation states, which, Mr Arnold admits, allows the teaching of national history to serve a useful purpose, has been the most obvious consequence of two world wars, though there have been differences in the process. After 1918 genuine nations aware of nationhood tried to build states; since 1945, in a great many instances, artificial states have been trying to build nations. Either way, the world is hardly moving towards the global village.

Nor can the axiom be saved by invoking Jungian mysteries. Anyone studying world history (which in Professor McNeill's lecture turned out to mean studying Asiatic rather than European events) in the search for some "collective unconscious of the planet as a whole" faces a disappointment the more assured because neither the supposed end in view nor the supposed means for attaining it actually exists.

Mr Arnold is not, of course, alone in misreading recent history. On the other hand, since I do not hold that the future is firmly predictable from the past, I do not exclude the possibility of some sort of global unification in that future. The omens are not good, but omens have misled before. What does matter is that we should not set up haphazard axioms, constructed out of dreams and cotton wool, and then abuse history to prove them.

Yours faithfully,
G. R. ELTON,
Clare College,
Cambridge.
September 15.

## The Pope and Marxism

*From Mr Victor Gould*

Sir, Mr Graham Greene (September 11) points to what we see as a difference in attitude towards Marxism between John XXIII and John Paul II.

There is indeed one very important difference between them where Marxism is concerned. John Paul II spent 30 years of his life in a country governed by a regime dedicated to Marxism. He knows from personal experience what life in such a society is really like.

Yours faithfully,
VICTOR GOULD,
2 Chapel House,
Wilmcote,
Stratford-on-Avon,
Warwickshire.
September 12.

## A harvest tithe

*From Mrs Tamzen Elwes*

Sir, Mrs Jill Day (September 14) would like to return to the tithe principle for farmers. Although not a tithe in the sense of a tenth of their crop, many farmers all over the country are co-operating in a scheme of donation of one ton of wheat from this year's bountiful harvest.

The scheme is operated through the grain merchants, who pay the farmer for one ton less and forward the proceeds for famine relief.

Just a thought in these "farmer-bashing" days from a small farmer's wife.

Yours sincerely,
TAMZEN ELWES,
Elder Farm,
Grimston,
King's Lynn,
Norfolk.
September 14

## Birth of a prince

*From Mr Peter Corneille*

Sir, As honorary secretary of a rather old theatrical club, I feel that it would be a compliment to William Shakespeare and our humble profession if our much-admired Prince of Wales and his enchanting Princess would care to encourage the populace to call their second son Prince Hal in memory of a play which has done a lot for the image of his family, and kept many of our profession from starvation over a number of years.

Your obedient servant,
PETER CORNEILLE,
Green Room Club,
9 Adam Street, WC2.
September 17.

*From Mrs Oliver Nugent*

Sir, I suppose that now it's "God for Harry, England – and St Mary's, Paddington?"

Yours sincerely,
MARY NUGENT,
19 Scotts Lane,
Shortlands,
Kent.





# COURT AND SOCIAL

## COURT CIRCULAR

BALMORAL CASTLE
September 18: The Duke of Edinburgh was represented by Mr Brian McGrath at the Memorial Service for Mr Vasco Lazzolo which was held at Chelsea Old Church this afternoon.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
September 18: The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips this afternoon toured and opened New College, Swindon (Principal, Mr J. Reaney).

Her Royal Highness was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Wiltshire (Colonel Hugh Brassey) and the Chairman, Wiltshire County Council (Captain P. Beale, RN).

Afterwards, The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips opened the new Wootton Bassett Police Section Station of the Wiltshire Constabulary and was received by the Chief Constable (Mr D. Smith).

The Hon Mrs Legge-Bourke was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
September 18: The Duke of Gloucester was entertained at dinner this evening by His Excellency The Ambassador for the State of Qatar at 42 Park Street, London W1.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.

Princess Anne will make her first official visit to the United Arab Emirates from December 1 to 4. She will go to Dubai, Abu Dhabi and Sharjah.

A memorial service for Lord Fermoy will be held at noon on Monday, October 29, in the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Lady Caroline Crichton-Stuart will be celebrated at St Ninian's Church, Marionville Road, Restalrig, Edinburgh, at 11 o'clock on the morning of Saturday, September 22.

On Sunday, September 30, the eleventh anniversary of the death of Professor Stefania Niekrasz, President of the Association of Polish Musicians Abroad, a Mass will be celebrated in Westminster Cathedral, at 10.30am.

A memorial service wil be held for Raymond Harry Oppenheimer at the parish church of Waltham St Lawrence, Berkshire, on Friday, September 28, 1984, at 3.00pm.

## Forthcoming marriages

**Lord Charles Beresford and Senorita M. T. Donoso Rosselot**

The engagement is announced between Charles Richard de la Poer, second son of the Marquess and Marchioness of Waterford, Curraghmore, Portlaw, co Waterford, and Maria Teresa, daughter of Senor Gabriel Donoso Phillips and Senora Maria Isabelle Donosa Rosselot, Geronimo de Molina 4900, Santiago, Chile.

The marriage will take place in Santiago.

**Mr C. R. A. Winn and Miss L. A. Scott**

The engagement is announced between Charles Rowland Andrew Winn, of Keeper's Cottage, Nostell Priory, Wakefield, West Yorkshire, only son of the Hon Derek and Mrs Winn, of Bainton, Driffield, East Yorkshire, and Louise Alexandra, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Stewart Scott, of Thorpe Bassett, Malton, North Yorkshire.

**Captain N. M. Coulson and Miss E. C. Skone**

The engagement is announced between Nicholas Coulson, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, son of Mr and Mrs John Coulson, of Putnoe, Bedford, and Elizabeth, daughter of Dr and Mrs John Skone, of Llandaff, Cardiff.

**Mr S. F. Giles and Miss E. A. Sharp**

The engagement is announced between Simon Fraser, son of Dr and Mrs H. McC. Giles, of Selly Oak, Birmingham, and Elizabeth Alice, younger daughter of Mr G. P. Sharp, of Oswestry, Shropshire, and Mrs B. Sharp, of Broadway, Worcestershire.

**M G. Havelange and Miss J M. Green**

The engagement is announced between Guy, son of M and Mme Ar. Havelange, of Bruxelles, Belgium, and Joanna Mary, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J. M. Green, of Welwyn, Hertfordshire.

**Mr J. M. Hobbs and Miss S. A. B. Hutchings**

The engagement is announced between John, only son of Mr and Mrs W. J. Hobbs, of Lower Slaughter, Gloucestershire, and Sally, only daughter of the late Mr Ben Hutchings, and of Mrs Ann Hutchings, of The Old Rectory, Rotherwick, Hampshire.

**Mr P. D. John and Miss S. L. Dazeley**

The engagement is announced between Philip, twin son of Mr and Mrs D. A. John, of London, SE26, and Sarah Louisa, younger daughter of Mrs J. F. Dazeley of Rugby, Warwickshire, and the late Dr G. H. Dazeley.

**Mr J. D. Loudon and Miss A. M. Davies**

The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs J. A. Loudon, of Berkswell, Warwickshire, and Alison, daughter of Mr and Mrs I. F. Davies, of Kenilworth.

**Mr R. G. Millward and Dr H. P. Sdougos**

The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs J. S. Millward, and Phoebe, daughter of Captain Z. N. Sdougos and the late Mrs V. Sdougos.

**Mr W. Morris and Miss G. D. Hirst**

The engagement is announced between William Morris, of 81 Grove Park Road, Chiswick, son of the late Mr Arthur Morris and of Mrs Morris, and Georgina, elder daughter of Mrs Robert Hirst, of Alderton House, Hurstbourne Tarrant, Andover, Hampshire, and the late Mr Robert Hirst.

**Mr N. J. Reeve and Miss R. M. Grant**

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, younger son of Mr and Mrs V. C. Reeve, of Ely, Cambridgeshire, and Ruth, daughter of Mr and Mrs C. W. Grant, of Melton, Woodbridge, Suffolk.

## Llandovery College

Michaelmas Term began on Thursday, September 13, 1984. New masters are the Rev Alan Kettle (chaplain), Dr Glyn Jones (chemistry) and Mr C. R. Jennings (biochemistry). The joint heads of school are Llinos Lloyd (head girl) and John Lewis (head boy). The captain of rugby is Stephen Meredith. The Llandovery-Brecon rugby match will be played at Llandovery on Saturday, October 27 and the carol service will be on Friday, December 14.

## Birthdays today

Miss Rosie Casals, 36; Mr Justin Dukes, 43; Mr Michael Elphick, 38; Mr William Golding, 73; the Right Rev H. R. Gough, 79; Mr Jeremy Irons, 36; Professor Wilson Knight, 87; Mr David McCallum, 51; the Right Rev Dr J. Fraser McLuskey, 70; the Earl of March and Kinrara, 55; Mrs Penelope Mortimer, 66; Mr Pete Murray, 56; Mr Derek Nimmo, 51; Dr H. J. Plenderleith, 86; Miss Zandra Rhodes, 44; Lord St Oswald, 68; Professor Sir Geoffrey Slaney, 62; Sir Leonard Williams, 65.



Horticulture

# Deep-frozen secret of the autumn tulips

By Alan Toogood, Horticulture Correspondent

The Royal Horticultural Society's Great Autumn Show, which opened yesterday in Westminster, embraces the four seasons.

Surprisingly, spring is represented by a display of Darwin, triumph and double tulips and muscari, from Van Tubergen, of Wisbech. The flower buds have been frozen in ice since the spring and have opened into superb blooms, free from blemishes.

Summer flowers, such as roses, fuchsia and pelargoniums are very much in evidence, and an idea for winter colour comes in the form of Universal pansies, from Hazeldene Nursery, of Maidstone. This new strain is highly recommended for winter bedding because the plants flower through the snow and continue into spring.

The theme of the show, however, is autumn, and all the usual plants associated with that season can be seen: dahlias, Michaelmas daisies and berrying trees and shrubs.

Autumn-flowering bulbs are strongly featured, including colchicums from J and E Parker-Jervis, of Abingdon, who have the species *C. tenorii* and *C. lactum*. R. J. Blakeway-Phillips, of Little Abingdon, has the chequered *C. agrippinum* in his collection.

Among many autumn bulbs being shown by Avon Bulbs, of Bathford, is a range of *Gladiolus colvillei* varieties, with small dainty flowers; and Rupert Bowlby, of Kingston-upon-Thames, is featuring the beautiful *Cyrtanthus purpureus* with deep red-orange flowers. More unusual bulbs are displayed by the Paradise Centre, of Lamarsh, Suffolk, including a yellow toad lily, *Tricyrtis obscumiensis*.

The Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, is showing plants collected by David Douglas (1799-1834), the plant hunter who introduced many varieties into Britain from the US and Canada.

Peter Beales Roses, of Attleborough, is demonstrating that old roses can make a good display in the autumn, with such varieties as 'Jacques Cartier', a portland damask, and 'Reine des Violettes', a Bourbon, both raised in the last century.

Gold medals have been awarded to Burncoose and South Down Nurseries, of Redruth (shrubs); Hilliers, of Winchester (shrubs); Notcutts, of Woodbridge (shrubs); Anmore Exotics, of Lovedean (tropical plants); Vesutor Airplants, of Ashington (bromeliads); Edrom Nurseries, of Coldingham (gentians); Ayletts, of St Albans (dahlias); Butterfields, of Bourne End (dahlias); Three Counties Nurseries, of Uxbridge (dahlias); Philip Tivey and Sons, of Syston (dahlias).

A gold in the Lindley range has been awarded to the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew (David Douglas exhibit).

First class certificate, Hedychium coccineum, orange flowers, from the Director, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, Wakehurst Place.

Awards of merit: Phygelius aequalis 'Yellow Trumpet', pale yellow tubular flowers; Elaeagnus umbellata var parvifolia, red berries; Pseudotsuga japonica, a conifer for foliage and cones; Argyranthemum frutescens 'Jamaica Primrose', yellow daisy flowers; Crocosmia 'Emily McKenzie' deep orange; Pilea peperomioides, rounded green leaves; Pseudotsuga menziesii, a conifer for foliage and cones; all from The Director, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, including Wakehurst Place.

Also receiving awards of merit: Paphiopedilum delrosi 'Success', white, veined purple, from Ratcliffe Orchids, of Didcot; Osteospermum 'Buttermilk', cream daisy flowers, from Mr and Mrs R M M Taylor and the National Trust, Coleton Fishacre, Kingswear; Aster novae-angliae 'Alma Potschke', red flowers, from the National Trust, Sissinghurst Castle, Kent; Notocactus leninghausii, a yellow-flowered cactus, from W L Tladen, of Welling, Kent; and Impatiens pseudoviolacea, pale lilac, from The Director, RHS Garden, Wisley.

The show is open today from 10am to 8pm, and tomorrow from 10am to 5pm.



Sister Nora, of St Peter's Convent, Woking, enjoying the fragrance of the pinks 'Doris' at the show yesterday.

## Marriages

**Mr Ian H. Douglas and Miss Virginia A. Brown**

The marriage took place in Adelaide on August 24 between Mr Ian Douglas, son of Sir Donald and Lady Douglas, of Newtyle, Angus, and Miss Virginia Brown, daughter of Mr and Mrs Andrew Brown, of Adelaide, South Australia.

**Mr C. R. Dunn and Miss A. E. E. Mathew**

The marriage took place on Saturday, September 8, in Llandaff Cathedral of Mr Craig Dunn, son of Mr and Mrs James Dunn, of California, and Miss Ann Mathew, daughter of Dr E. L. Mathew, of co Victoria, Natal.

**Mr G. P. Limnios and Miss A. Bamboulis**

The marriage took place on Saturday, September 8, in London, between Mr George Limnios, son of Mrs F. Limnios and the late Mr. P. Limnios, and Miss Amaryllis Bamboulis, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs E. B. Bamboulis.

**Mr H. Lloyd and Miss C. Paines**

The marriage took place on Saturday, September 15, at St Nicolas Church, Taplow, between Mr Humphrey Lloyd, elder son of Mr and Mrs M. Lloyd, of Sherborne, Dorset, and Miss Cathryn Paines, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs A. J. C. Paines, of Taplow, Buckinghamshire. The Rev Peter Judd officiated, assisted by the Rev C. H. Hare.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Mrs Caroline Sinclair, Elizabeth Wardrop and Catherine Glover. Mr Rupert Orchard was best man.

A reception was held at St Nicolas House, Taplow, and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

**Mr M. McGarvey and Miss L. Hall**

The marriage took place on September 8, 1984, at St John's Church, Dormansland, of Mr Michael McGarvey, son of Mr and Mrs John McGarvey, to Miss Lucinda Hall, daughter of Mr Douglas Hall and Mrs Elizabeth Hall.

## Butchers' Company

Mr William Arthur Woolhouse has been elected Master of the Butchers' Company. The following were elected as Wardens: Mr N. C. Poultney, Mr R. Pooley, Mr R. W. Baker, Mr P. Moore and Mr G. J. Sharp.

## Royal Society

The following fellowships have been awarded under the Royal Society's European science exchange programme:

Ms Victoria J Allan, of York University, to the European Molecular Biology Laboratory, Heidelberg; Mr Besh Bidd, of Bristol University, to the Institut de chimie, Université Louis Pasteur de Strasbourg; Mr Alexander W Blayney, of University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff, to department of otolaryngology, University of Bordeaux.

Mr David H Burgess, of Queen Mary College London, to section d'astrophysique, Observatoire de Paris, Meudon, France; Mr I Colin G Campbell, of King's College London, to the Institute of theoretical physics, University of Stockholm; Mr David B Carpenter, of Edinburgh University, to the Deutsches Elektronen-Synchrotron, Hamburg; Mr Christopher Carr, of Bristol University, to the department of inorganic chemistry, Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm.

Mr Christopher L Clayton, of UWIST, to department of medical biochemistry, University of Geneva; Miss Margaret E Collins, of University College, Cardiff, to the Institut de génétique moléculaire, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, Gif-sur-Yvette, France; Mr George M Coupland, of Edinburgh University, to the Institut for genetik, University of Cologne.

Mr Irwin B Davidson, of Glasgow University, to the laboratoire de génétique moléculaire des eucaryotes, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, Strasbourg; Mr Christopher S Durbin, of Manchester University, to the laboratoire de geomorphologie, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium; Mr John L Edwards, of Bristol University, to the College de France, Paris; Dr Catherine W Gill, of University College of North Wales, to the Station Marine de Roscoff, France.

Mr David R Greaves, of King's College London, to the Netherlands Cancer Institute, Amsterdam; Miss Kim E Hammond, of University of East Anglia, to the department of phytopathology, Agricultural University, Wageningen, The Netherlands; Dr Barbara J Hart, of Glasgow University, to the Institut Royal des Sciences Naturelles de Belgique, Brussels; Miss Elaine J Hughson, of Royal Hallamshire Hospital, Sheffield, to the European Molecular Biology Laboratory, Heidelberg.

Mr Benjamin P Jeffryes, of Oxford University, to the Max Planck Institute for Physics and Astrophysics, Munich; Dr Deborah J Jones, of Southampton University, to the laboratoire des acides minéraux, Université des Sciences et Technique du Languedoc, Montpellier, France; Dr Peter J McDonald, of Nottingham University, to the Service de Physique du Solide et de Résonance Magnétique, Saclay, France; Dr Janice G Mather, of Manchester University, to the Institute of zoology and zoophysiology, University of Aarhus, Denmark.

Mr Ronald A Milligan, of Stanford University School of Medicine, California, to the European Molecular Biology Laboratory, Heidelberg; Dr Jonathan Mitchley, of Cambridge University, to the department of plant ecology, University of Utrecht; Mr Michael J Morris, of Bristol University, to the Institut de chimie, Université Louis Pasteur, Strasbourg; Mr Mark A Riley, of Liverpool University, to the Niels Bohr Institute, University of Copenhagen.

Mr Andrew Robinson, of Manchester University, to the European Southern Observatory, Garching bei München; Mr Robin G Stuart, of Oxford University, to the theory division, CERN, Geneva; Dr Simon G Webster, of University College of North Wales, Bangor, to the Institut für zoophysiologie, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität, Bonn.

## Church News

**Appointments**

The Rev A F Andrews, curate, Highworth with Sevenhampton and Inglesham and Hannington, diocese of Bristol, to the priest-in-charge Bishopstone with Hinton Parva, same diocese.

The Rev J Austin, social responsibility adviser, diocese of St Albans, to be director for social responsibility, diocese of London.

The Rev J W Ball, area secretary, Church Missionary Society, dioceses of Chichester and Guildford, to be Vicar, Ottershaw, diocese of Guildford.

The Rev G M Briscoe, temporary chaplain and head of RE Bedford Modern School, to be Vicar, Dunton with Wrestlingworth and Eyeworth, diocese of St Albans.

The Rev R Clark, Vicar, St Nathaniel Platt Bridge, diocese of Liverpool, to be Vicar, St Paul Hatton Hill, same diocese.

The Rev P G Cobb, Vicar, Midsomer Norton, diocese of Bath and Wells, to be Vicar, All Saints with St John, Clifton, diocese of Bristol.

The Rev H Corbett, curate, St Peter's, Everton, diocese of Liverpool, to be team vicar in parish.

The Rev A N Dawkins, priest-in-charge, St Paul's, Kexby, with St John the Baptist, Wilberfoss, diocese of York, to be Rector, St Mary's Dodleston, diocese of Chester.

The Rev A F Denyer, curate, St Mary's, Rodbourne Cheney, diocese of Bristol, to be priest-in-charge, Garsdon with Lea and Cleverton and Charlton, same diocese.

The Rev P W Dyson, curate, Christ Church, Swindon, diocese of Bristol, to be priest-in-charge, St Luke's, Brislington, same diocese.

The Rev A N Godsell, Rector, Rochford, diocese of Chelmsford, to be also Rural Dean of Rochford, same diocese.

The Rev D I S Jones, priest-in-charge, St Stephen's and Christ Church, City, diocese of Bristol, to be bishop's research officer for social responsibility, same diocese.

The Rev D B Long, Vicar of the Ascension, Hull, diocese of York, to be Vicar of Castle Acre with Newton, Rector of South Acre, and priest-in-charge of Rougham, diocese of Norwich.

The Rev J C Oakes, assistant priest, Ringwood, diocese of Winchester, to be priest-in-charge, Thurnby Lodge, diocese of Leicester.

Canon C Palfrey, to be honorary canon emeritus of Norwich Cathedral on his retirement as Precentor of the Cathedral on September 30, 1984.

Canon B R Phillips, Vicar, Highworth with Sevenhampton and Inglesham and Hannington, diocese of Bristol, to be priest-in-charge, Oaksey and Crudwell with Ashley, Hankerton and Long Newnton, same diocese.

The Rev P J Ridley, Vicar of Eynsham, diocese of Oxford, to be Vicar of Nicholforest with Kirkandrews-on-Esk, diocese of Carlisle.

The Rev C S Studd, priest-in-charge, Bowers Gifford with North Benfleet, diocese of Chelmsford, to be Rector of the parish.

Canon R J Tonkin, Vicar of Oadby, diocese of Leicester, to be Vicar, Holy Apostles, Leicester, same diocese.

The Rev J C Walker, Priest Vicar of Westminster Abbey, to be chaplain, St John's, Gent, with St George's, Ypres, Belgium, diocese in Europe.

The Rev P J Whitworth, curate, Holy Trinity, Brompton, diocese of London, to be Vicar, Christ Church, Gipsy Hill, diocese of Southwark.

The Rev S M Wookey, curate, Christ Church, Cockfosters, diocese of London, to be curate, St Michael's, Paris, diocese in Europe.

The Rev K M Wray, Vicar of Edlington, Doncaster, diocese of Sheffield, to be Vicar, St Peter's, Hoyland, same diocese.

**Resignations and retirements**

Canon J de Beverley Bateman, Rector, Harome with Stonegrave, Nunnington and Pockley, diocese of York, to retire, September 30, while retaining his canonry.

The Rev A E Bland, Vicar, St Immanuel's, Feniscowles, diocese of Blackburn, to retire, end of year, when he will become reader of Waddington Hospital, near Clitheroe.

The Rev F C Hambrey, Vicar, Colton with Satterthwaite and Rusland, diocese of Carlisle, retired, August.

Prebendary F Vere Hodge, priest-in-charge, Lydeard St Lawrence, Combe Florey and Tolland, and diocesan rural affairs correspondent, diocese of Bath and Wells, to retire, October 31.

The Rev W L Jones, Rector, Bishops Lydeard with Bagborough and Cothelstone, diocese of Bath and Wells, to retire, September 30.

Canon E L Mascall, honorary canon theologian of Truro Cathedral, retired, August 31.

Canon A G Page, Rector, Freshford with Limpley Stoke and Hinton Charterhouse, diocese of Bath and Wells, to resign at end of October to take up appointment with Church Missionary Society in Kenya.

## Memorial service

**Mr V. Lazzolo**

The Duke of Edinburgh was represented by Mr Brian McGrath at a memorial service for Mr Vasco Lazzolo held yesterday at Chelsea Old Church. The Rev C. E. Leighton Thomson officiated. Mr Michael Macquaker read the lesson and Mr Frank Kennington gave an address. Among those present were:

Mrs Lazzolo (widow), Mr D Hoare, Miss Lucy Hoare, Mr Dominick Hoare, Mr John Hoare; Lord and Lady Hastings, the Hon Oliver Beckett, Lady d'Erlanger, Mr William Rees-Davies, QC, and Mrs Rees-Davies, Baroness Thyssen, Mr Alan Sleath (representing the BBC) and Mrs Sleath, Mr and Mrs James Lilley, Mr and Mrs James White, Mr and Mrs Charles Martin, Mrs Michael Stopford.

Mr Aubrey Rix, Mrs Leslie Aked, Mrs D Wickins, Mrs Pamela Hammond, Mr Alex Stirling, Mr Toby Vaughton, Mr Michael Sturt, Mrs J Rees-Davies, Miss Oona Rees-Davies, Mr and Mrs Val Guest, Mr and Mrs Michael Pertwee, Mrs Brian Harper, Mrs Diana Globbe, Mr and Mrs Michael Mordaunt-Smith, Mr Michael Mordaunt-Smith, Jr.

Mrs William Murray, Mrs Adrian Holt, Mr and Mrs David Brice, Mrs Anne Behar, Mr Allan Murray, Mrs Dorothy Warren, Mr Patrick Matthews, Count and Countess Coreth, Mr Raymond Skipp, Mr Claude Gaspar, Mr Douglas Wilson, Mrs A Spowers, Mrs David Donaldson-Hudson, Mr Stephen Watling, Mr Ronald James, Mrs John Everett, Mr Clive Bennington, Mrs Sarah Haydon, Mr Henry Peplow, Mrs Rosemary Cutting, Mr Charles Robins, Mr and Mrs Matthew Keating, Mr and Mrs Jack Girardet, Miss Sue Kennington, Mrs M Dunning, Mr Brian Carr, Mrs Iona Hart, Mr David Arrigo and Mr Vivian Snell.

## Luncheons

**Prime Minister**

The Prime Minister was host at a luncheon given yesterday at 10 Downing Street in honour of King Hussein of Jordan. The other guests were:

General Zaid bin Shaker, the Jordanian Ambassador, Mr Michael Heseltine, MP, Mr Richard Luce, MP, General Sir John Stainer, Mr John Coles, Mr James Blyth, Mr Stephen Egerton and Mr Charles Powell.

**HM Government**

Mr Wyn Roberts, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Wales, was host at a luncheon held in Cardiff Castle yesterday, in honour of the American Ambassador.

**Reading University**

Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, was the guest of honour at a luncheon given yesterday by Reading University to celebrate his opening the new food studies building. The chancellor of the university, Lord Sherfield, presided.

Other guests included Lord Zuckerman, OM, Sir Gerard Vaughan, MP, Dr Ronald Halstead, The Mayor and Mayoress of Reading and the chairman of Berkshire County Council.

## Reception

**Institute of Jewish Affairs**

A reception for members of the International Council on Soviet Jewry was given by the Institute of Jewish Affairs yesterday. Sir Monty Finniston, FRS, chairman of the Institute of Jewish Affairs policy planning group, was in the chair and Sir Sigmund Sternberg was the host. The reception was followed by lectures by Professor Alec Nove, of Glasgow University, and Mr Martin McCauley, of the London School of Slavonic Studies.

## Dinner

**British Institute of Non-Destructive Testing**

Professor M. J. Farley, of the Royal Military College of Science, was the principal guest at the annual dinner of the British Institute on Non-Destructive Testing which took place last night at Lancaster University. Professor Farley earlier gave the President's Honour Lecture at the institute's conference. Members and guests were received at the dinner by Mr D. G. Rogers, president, and Mrs Rogers.

## Service dinner

**HQ RAF Support Command**

Air Marshal Sir David Harcourt-Smith, Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief RAF Support Command, and members of Brampton Park Officers Mess, held a dinner last night in honour of their ladies. The Commander-in-Chief Training Command, French Air Force, General de Corps Aerien Nicholas Fevre and Mme Fevre were the principal guests. Group Captain J. B. Ashall presided.

## Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:

**Mr Peter Hudson** to be director of finance and administrative services, at the British Tourist Authority on November 2, in succession to Mr Bill Addison.

**Professor E. J. Kenney**, to be treasurer of Christ's Hospital and chairman of the Council of Almoners, in succession to Mr A. A. Ross OBE.

Science report

# How bats use sonar to catch fish

By Stephen Young

Recent research has revealed how fish-catching bats, members of a spectacular American species, use their sonar to measure the speed of moving targets.

Such bats hunt by flying low over water, monitoring ripples on the surface and then hooking their victims by using sharp claws on their feet. Jeffrey Wenstrup and Roderick Suthers were fascinated by their behaviour, so they trained two bats to perform over an artificial pool in a laboratory at Indiana University.

As each bat flew over the pool, a motorized "target" was moved through the water at a carefully controlled speed. Over a series of such trials, the scientists presented the bats with slow and fast targets, rewarding them with pieces of fish if they struck at the slower of the two.

The bats turned out to be willing pupils and soon learnt what was expected of them. Gradually the task was made harder by reducing the difference in speed between fast and slow targets. Eventually it became clear that the bats were unable to distinguish between targets if the difference in speed fell below 40 centimetres per second (about 1 mph).

The scientists established that the bats were using sonar to estimate target velocity. But how? The pulses of sound emitted by these bats consist of two elements. One is a sound whose frequency, or pitch, is constant at around 60,000 cycles a second (60 kilohertz); that is followed by a rapid downward sweep of frequencies from 60 to 30 kilohertz.

Either of those elements could be involved in the discrimination, and scientists had to do a neat piece of detection to find out which was responsible.

Consider first the element with constant pitch. If such a sound bounces off a moving target, then the frequency of the echo heard by the bat will be different to that of the original sound.

That apparent change in pitch is a manifestation of the well-known Doppler effect, an effect we notice whenever we are passed by an ambulance that is sounding its siren. In the bat's case, the difference in pitch between the sound and its echo accurately reflects the closing speed of the bat and its target.

A measure of the bat's ability to gauge speeds by the Doppler method can be obtained by investigating its sensitivity to slight differences in pitch. The scientists showed that if the fish-catching bat used the Doppler effect, it would only notice a difference in speed between two targets if that difference was above 170 centimetres per second.

Since the bat's actual performance is four times better than that, they reason that an appreciation of Doppler shifts cannot be responsible for its behaviour.

Instead, the scientists conclude that the bat monitors the time taken for echoes of the second part of its pulse, the downward sweep, to return to its ears. The speed of a moving target can be reliably estimated from a series of such soundings.

From the bat's point of view, the practical value of such information is immense. Details about target speed allow the bat to predict the future course of its prey and then to home in for the kill.

Source: *Journal of Comparative Physiology*, A vol 155, p 75 (1984).

# OBITUARY

## MR PETER BLACKMORE

### Playwright and novelist

Peter Blackmore, the dramatist, who has died at the age of 75, was an actor who, early in his career, chose to write for the stage. He had three plays in the West End. Another, which did not get beyond its trial run elsewhere became a film with his own script. He also wrote some novels.

Born at Clevedon on March 19, 1909, and educated at Dorchester, Blackmore was a repertory actor for several years, at Coventry, Cardiff and Leamington Spa.

He went into play writing with a technician's equipment and a talent for witty persiflage. *Lot's wife*, described as "a modern comedy", reached the Whitehall in the summer of 1938, by way of a Sunday night performance (as so often at that period) in the previous April: it lasted for 238 performances, with Cecil Parker as Mr Lot.

*The Blue Goose* – which was to be a novel as well – went on at the Comedy theatre in 1941. But perhaps Blackmore's most attractive piece, though it was not transferred from the Embassy at Swiss Cottage, was *Miranda* (1947); later filmed with Genine Graham as a mermaid in the house.

That was a useful fantastic idea; and so in its fashion was the idea of *Down Came a Blackbird* (Savoy, 1953) which might have run longer. It was about a girl secretary's nose which, thanks to plastic surgery, changed both its unfortunate shape and the shape of her life. Henry Kendall directed this, and Betty Paul was the girl.

During the war Blackmore served in London as a Senior Company Officer in the National Fire Service.

## DR F. C. GOLDING

A. writes:

Dr Frederick Campbell Golding, who died on July 17 at the age of 83, was director of the X-Ray diagnosis department of the Middlesex Hospital from 1956-66 and one of the outstanding radiologists of his generation.

Cam Golding grew up in Australia and studied medicine at St Andrews College, Sydney. There, as at school, one of his closest friends was Brian Windeyer who rowed in the college crew with him: both were to make their careers at the Middlesex, Golding in diagnostic radiology and Sir Brian in radiotherapy. Golding was a superb athlete, stroking the university eight and shining at golf and tennis: he was still playing tennis daily in the last year of his life.

A few years after he qualified he came to England and first made his name at the Royal Marsden, where in his field he became the leading authority on bones and joints: and many came to consult his collection of X-rays there. At the Middlesex he succeeded Sir Harold Hodgson as director of the department, where he also specialized in diagnosing chest diseases.

After the war he persuaded the Department of Health to create a special post for young radiologists from overseas with the wise, but unusual, proviso that he alone should choose from among the applicants. Dozens of diagnosticians – some 30-40 from Australia and New Zealand – benefited. Most returned to their own country, but the Department of Health also benefited from those who remained here.

In the same way the Navy and RAF, recognizing that their facilities for advanced training were limited, invited Golding to become their honorary consultant and seconded their staff to the Middlesex and other teaching hospitals.

Many were the famous who came to consult him among them Lord Beaverbrook, who insisted on being X-rayed at his home even though it meant laying a cable.

For fifty years Cam Golding always took a month's holiday by himself to fish in Scotland though it was on the Blackwater in the Republic of Ireland that he landed a 44½lb salmon. He was also a deadly shot, training his own labradors.

Golding was a man of few words and excellent judgment on matters other than his own field, as modest as he was handsome. Few in his time did more to advance the place of radiology in medicine.

He is survived by his wife and two sons.

## MRS W. M. BANNERMAN

Mrs W. Mary Bannerman, OBE, who died on September 14 aged 90, collaborated with her husband, the late Dr David Armitage Bannerman in many of his best known ornithological works.

Born in Wales in 1894 she went to Bedford College, London where she read modern languages and taught for a period in a Malvern preparatory school.

Her own natural inclination towards ornithology – she was one of the first women to join the British Ornithologists' Club – suited well with that of her husband whom she married between the wars, and after the war, they retired to Sussex to write.

Among their collaborations were three of the volumes of *Birds of the Atlantic Islands: History of the Birds of the Cape Verde Islands: Birds of Cyprus* and – their last book, completed by her after his death in 1979 – *History of the Birds of the Balearic Islands*.

During the war she had worked with the Women's Voluntary Service, setting up hostels for evacuated mothers with their young children. For this work she was appointed OBE.

## MR GORDON CRIER

Mr Gordon Crier, who has died at the age of 72, was, with Harry S. Pepper, co-producer of the popular wartime radio variety series, *Band Waggon*, which launched Arthur Askey and Richard Murdoch on the road to fame.

Crier had actually begun his broadcasting career in television, joining the BBC as a television studio manager at Alexandra Palace, in 1937, and producing *Television Follies* which also featured Richard Murdoch. A year later he moved to Broadcasting House and it was here that *Band Waggon* was launched to become one of the most popular of radio entertainments. From 1941 he also produced *Music Hall*.

In 1943 Crier joined the Army and was one of the founders of the Army operated British Forces radio network. This effectively began with a small mobile radio station which brought home news and entertainment to invasion troops in the forward areas, before the fall of Hamburg enabled him to graduate to the 100 Kw transmitter there.

In 1946 he left the BBC to go freelance. In 1952 while touring with a Gracie Fields show he was apprehended with two colleagues in the Russian Zone of Germany after taking a wrong turning on an autobahn just outside Berlin. The three men were held for a week's interrogation before being handed over.

Crier was a founder member of the Lords Taverners just after the war.

## Funeral

**Lord Geoffrey-Lloyd**

The Queen was represented by Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, Lord Lieutenant of Kent, at the funeral service for Lord Geoffrey-Lloyd on Monday at the Church of St Nicholas, Leeds, near Maidstone, Kent. Princess Alexandra was represented by Lord Charteris of Amisfield, a trustee of Leeds Castle Foundation, who also gave an address. The Prime Minister was represented by Mr Michael Allison, MP.

The Rev Christopher Dent officiated. The Earl of Scarbrough, a trustee of Leeds Castle Foundation, read the lesson. Mr Edward Heath, MP, was represented by Sir John Wells, MP.

Among others present were Mrs E. Dyke and Miss Angela Lloyd (nieces); the Mayor of Maidstone, trustees of Leeds Castle Foundation, members of staff and many other friends.

## The Francis Holland School

The Headmistress of The Francis Holland School, 39 Graham Terrace, SW1, invites old girls and friends of the school to celebrate Miss Bowden's 80th birthday on Thursday, September 20, from 6-8pm.

## Harrogate College

Harrogate College reopens today for the Autumn Term with 440 girls, 85 in the sixth form. Susan Caton is head of the school, Heather Myers is lacrosse captain and Katherine Garnett is swimming captain. The confirmation service, to be taken by the Bishop of Ripon in the school chapel, is on Sunday, December 2, half-term is from October 25 to 30. Term ends Friday, December 14.

## Appointments in the Forces

**Royal Navy**

REAR ADMIRAL: R G Hesslip to be FOSM and Comsubeastlant, Nov 23; K A Snow to be Deputy Asst Chief of Staff (Operations) on Staff of the Supreme Allied Commander Europe, Oct 19.

CAPTAIN: J G Davies to Collingwood, Nov 6; A O Holding to Cincnavhome, Nov 2; AGMA Provest to Intrepid, Jan 8.

COMMANDERS: P D Ambrose the Excellent, Nov 27; J A Bagg to MOD (PE), Jan 15; W D Bisserty to MOD, Dec 3; J G P Cooke to Staff of CSST, Dec 18; C H J Daykin to MOD, oct 25; T D Elliott to Trafalgar, April 16; N C Fleming to MOD Dec 21; J R Griffiths to Cincnavhome Mar 26; P K Haddacks to MOD, Dec 20; J J Howard to MOD, Dec 11; A D S Mayley to Defiance Dec 7; J McLees to Staff of CSST, Jan 2; K F Read to Neptune, Dec 7; R J Stanford to Dryad Dec 5; A S L Smith to Neptune Mar 5; R S Wraith to MOD, Dec 11.

SURGEON COMMANDER: C W Evans to Snr Medl Offr 3 Cdo Bde RM, Dec 3.

Retirements

VICE-ADMIRAL: Sir Edward Anson, Mar 3.

CAPTAIN: J E Franklin, Mar 3, M T H Howes, Mar 8.

COMMANDER: A E Palmer, Mar 10; D G Smith, Mar 4.

**The Army**

BRIGADIERS: P Forshaw to HQ RAOC TA as Comd, 28; B K Warner – to be MA Moscow, Sept 21; N M White – to HQ 30 Engr Bde as Comd, Sept 24.

COLONELS: M R N Bray to HQ Afcent, Sept 20; A M Hinings to Inf GSC M & RO, Sept 28; T P Toyne-Sewell to JSDC, Sept 29; D J Venn to IMS Brussels, Sept 28.

LIEUTENANT-COLONELS: B F Kavanagh, R Sigs, to RSE & Larkhill Gar, Sept 24; K Ryding, R Sig, to HQ Trp Gp R Sig & Catterick Gar as CO, Sept 24; M L Whitehead, 6GR to MOD, Sept 24.

RETIREMENTS

BRIGADIERS: D H Bowen, late R E, Sept 26; C Hince, late RWF, Sept 28.

COLONELS: A M M Clouet, WRAC, Sept 24; K Kirby, late R Sig, Sept 26; C D Piggins, late RRF, Sept 25.

**Royal Air Force**

AIR COMMODORE (Acting Air Vice-Marshal): D T Bryant to HQ RAF Germany as Deputy Commander, Sept 21.

WING COMMANDERS: C P Lumb to Berksdale AFB, US, Sept 17; W D Mullinder to Maastricht, Aus, Sept 19; P S Cole to HQ Strike Command, Sept 20; G D Simpson to HQ SAC, US, Sept 21; G S Newton to RAF Neatishead, Sept 21; R Chambers to MOD, Sept 21; P J Wilkinson to MOD, Sept 21; R W Payne to RAF Henlow, Sept 17; M G Trumper to HQ RAF Support Command, Sept 17; P H R Gill to RAF IAM Farnborough, Sept 14; F J Smith to HQ RAF Germany, Sept 10; R A L Partington to PA Hospital RAF Wroughton, Sept 17.

SQUADRON LEADERS (Acting Wing Commander): K E Matson to RAF Rheindahlen as Stn Cdr, Sept 10; M E Pedder to RAF Hospital Ely, Sept 3; R G Perry to MOD, Sept 17; D R G Forsyth to MOD Harrogate, Sept 17; F R Guard to Washington DC, Sept 31.

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# THE ARTS

## Concerts

# Star-struck

**SNO/Bamert**
Glasgow

After the less than wonderful revelation of Cavalli's opera in Edinburgh last month, Orion is not the most tactful subject to be raising in Scotland just now. But John Casken has dared and triumphed with his boistrous orchestral piece *Orion Over Farne*, which the Scottish National Orchestra under Matthias Bamert gave for the first time on Monday evening. It was a performance of very welcome vigour, coming at the start of the tight-packed week of new experiences that Glasgow's sixth Musica Nova festival has in store.

The work itself is a symphonic poem about star-gazing over the wild Northumbrian coast and about the myth of the great hunter, but it is also a compacted symphony, with four movements, held in a single 20-minute span. Thus the figure of Orion himself is the excuse for an opening section of huge energy, continued in the third movement. The thrust is always onward and upward as ideas boil up out of the strings into the tuned percussion, or as rising scales rip through the brass.

By contrast, the even-numbered sections, effectively a slow movement and an adagio finale, are more sustained in tone and colour: the slow movement is a meditation on a cor anglais solo, and the finale has as its key passage a very beautiful elegy of increasing complication and poignancy in the strings.

What these sections share with their companions, is a strong sense of direction. Casken writes of his music as a voyage and he keeps the invention going right up to his closing starscape, weirdly completed by the groan of a cymbal resting on one of the timpani.

The concert also included works by two of the other composers being featured in this festival. Per Nörgaard offered *Illumination*, a 10 minute overture of slow, steady growth towards quivering brilliance led by raised French horns, and from Elliot Carter there was one of his toughest nuts, the Piano Concerto, in which Ursula Oppens seemed perfectly at home in the mazy race of musical traffic. Scottish audiences will be glad of the opportunity to hear her again in this work next month.

**Paul Griffiths**

**Malcolm Binns**
Wigmore Hall

I am no xenophobe, but have often found myself wondering why we are so ready to accept foreign pianists when we have plenty of native talent waiting to be tapped. Malcolm Binns has been before the public for 25 years and, on the strength of his playing at this recital, is a better pianist than many of the "great names" that the publicity machine in its wisdom has seen fit to promote.

It was an unusual idea to present a substantial batch of Mendelssohn's *Songs Without Words*, and it says something for Mr Binns' skill that he saved the music from degenerating into drawing-room sentimentality. His tone may have been a little robust at times, but he conveyed the composer with more dignity than is customary. Mendelssohn the effete charmer was quite banished.

The same composer's F sharp minor Fantasy, Op 28, is much weightier, and possibly his most successful large-scale piano work. It can sound disjointed, but on this occasion Malcolm Binns projected it as a whole, and it provided the best performance of the evening.

The second half was devoted to Chopin, Mendelssohn's almost exact contemporary. Here the sound-world changed to convey more impressionistic moods.

It was a little unwise to conclude with the B major Nocturne, Op 62, No 1 and the Barcarolle, as they share much the same ambience. Nevertheless, the quality of poetic insight was such that this reservation was not too important. Semiquaver treble runs breathed like sighs over the instrument, and I left happy in the knowledge that Chopin was a master-composer and Malcolm Binns something approaching a master-pianist.

**James Methuen-Campbell**

## Pop music

# King of the hill for just a moment

**Frank Sinatra**
Royal Albert Hall

It was one of those rare occasions where the Sloanes rub shoulders with the Romfords; where toffs and large, broken-nosed gentlemen from the more colourful East End professions are brought together to share a common affection. No, not the Epsom Derby, although the ill-mannered jostling for bar space was reminiscent of that, but an evening with Francis Albert Sinatra; Frankie, the *voice*, the Hoboken kid who couldn't go back, the man with the golden throat.

But first, Buddy Rich and his Orchestra; young tyros all save the master, now 67, but still giving the impression that he'd have been too hot for Led Zeppelin to handle. Rich seems to have invented every unsubtle drum rhythm in the book, from the crash and clatter of cacophonous swing to heavy metal. He spun a web between Tommy Dorsey and Duke Ellington, stopping off at *West Side Story*.

His band snarled and blared with the rising adrenalin of a Little Italy traffic jam. Great stuff. Add two years to Mr Rich's vintage and you get the star of the night. Sinatra merely ambled on stage, no tears, no fuss; perhaps the most impressive thing he did all evening. I'd heard of *Sinatra At The Sands* but wasn't prepared for Sinatra at the sands of time.

The last time I saw him, in 1977, Sinatra was coasting on technique but he still had the aggression and will to turn the evening to his advantage. Now he is tired and not a little bored. The Rat Pack biographies, the marriages, the trials by press, let's pretend that these things took their toll. But does anyone really care any more about that celluloid fantasy?

"I can't tell you how glad I am to be in this wonderful edifice." Sinatra gestured vaguely, practically every word scripted from a lectern which refused to cooperate. When the autocue went on the blink half way through "The Lady is a Tramp" (no feminists in *this* audience) Frank just laughed. In the old days he would have fired the band, punched out a photographer and still been back to bring the house down.


Frankie, the Voice: No tears, no fuss

Nostalgia was all that separated Sinatra from disaster. In America recently he has been roundly criticized for fluffing lines and cutting songs in half. What they really mean is that Francis is too old for this caper, too old to be crooning schmaltzy stuff like "Pennies From Heaven" and too old to sing those interminable songs about growing old which took over his repertoire after the success of the dreaded "My Way".

"I can't stand the song myself", admitted Frank during the applause, then he was off again, singing for the "Kings and dooks and knights and earls" who only exist as showbiz caricatures, or conjuring up a contrast between the neighbourhood saloons of bob-b-sox days and Carnegie Hall.

Sinatra injected some old black magic swing into "New York! New York!" but couldn't sustain the low registers of "These Foolish Things". Where he once climbed inside the skin of a song he is now content to address it politely like a half-remembered acquaintance.

The best moments were the least expected; his Brando vamp on "Luck Be A Lady" (from *Guys and Dolls*) and a powerful interpretation of Bobby Darin's "Mack The Knife", a number that suits him. Then it was over. The faithful rushed forward and Frankie dealt with them with style and grace. For that moment he was still "king of the hill and top of the heap".

Sad to reflect that Sinatra, like Mohammed Ali, can't accept that it is impossible to follow the greatest act. Especially when that act was once your own.

**Max Bell**

## Dance

# Elegant feet and legs

**Ashton Ballets**
Big Top, Cambridge

The Royal Ballet will be holding an official celebration next month for the 80th birthday of Sir Frederick Ashton but, splendid as they may be, I do not think they will be happier or more appropriate than the programme of three Ashton works given by the Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet in the Big Top in Cambridge on Monday.

*Les Rendezvous* and *Facade* are two of his earliest works, dating from the early thirties. But in these, as well as in *The Dream* made 30 years later, are clearly shown the qualities that mark his choreography and moulded his dancers.

Musicality, lyricism and easy, unforced virtuosity, elegant feet and legs, epaulement, and above all a sense of style are all requirements of the Ashton repertory and were distinguishing signs of the English school at its best. While British ballet may have been largely the creation of two remarkable women, it was Ashton who gave it its distinctive flavour.

Newly returned from holiday, the Sadler's Wells company danced with enthusiasm and joyous commitment despite the far from ideal surroundings of the Big Top. Although these ballets are in the company's repertory almost constantly, they still carry a freshness and excitement which is as much a tribute to the dancers as to the choreography.

Sherilyn Kennedy and Carl Myers danced with considerable charm in *Les Rendezvous* and partnering Marion Tait, Roland Price as Oberon in *The Dream* was uneven, but at his best, very impressive. But the outstanding performance in this tribute to the company's greatest choreographic genius came from its brightest choreographic hope – David Bintley as Bottom, beautifully judged, entirely personal and faithful to the style of Ashton's lovely ballet. A worthy successor to Alexander Grant.

**Judith Cruickshank**


Douglas Jeffery

Olivier Munoz and Sui Kan Chiang

# More a spectacle than an allegory

**Fu**
Sadler's Wells

Chiang Ching, whose *Fu* was given its European premiere by the Northern Ballet at Sadler's Wells on Monday night, is I think the first Chinese choreographer to stage a work for a British company. Her biography in the programme tells us that she has tried to draw from both eastern and western dance styles in search of a more universal form of communication. Just how far *Fu* communicates to western audiences remains to be seen; I suspect it will be watched more as spectacle than as allegory.

You can, I think, see what she is driving at. A man in simple clothes (*ergo* poor and honest) is tempted by his baser self to go off in quest of power and success, symbolized by men in magnificently decorated robes. He ends up, of course, alone and disillusioned, having lost both his loving wife and the glamorous woman who fascinates him, and cut off from the world by a web he has helped spin.

Li Ke-yu's costumes look sumptuous, especially the black and gold robes which open to reveal bright red inside (but the trick is repeated too often), and there are some splendid masks by Tang Su-guo, although overhead lighting sometimes makes it difficult to see details or facial expressions.

Ballet steps and ceremonious oriental gestures are used in the slow-moving pageant, and a similar set of influences is heard in Tan Dun's score, which includes vocal wailing and sounds of shock or scorn as well as instrumental writing.

Sui Kan Chiang, as the wife, has the most interesting role and performs it with touching devotion. Olivier Munoz takes the central role, with John McGeachie as his shadow and Yoko Shimizu as the temptress who seduces but rejects him: all coping acceptably with roles that seem cyphers. Chiang and Munoz led the casts also in the evening's other ballets, Robert de Warren's *Romeo and Juliet* and the first London showing of Prokovsky's *Brahms Love Songs*.

**John Percival**

## Theatre

# The great story-teller who makes the words sing

**Old Story Time**
Stratford East

Sitting tight in Jamaica and writing for his own audience, Trevor Rhone is rapidly becoming London's favourite West Indian playwright. The fact that he does not threaten our peace of mind, like some of his emigré compatriots, may have something to do with this. But the main reason is that we have few enough writers of any kind with his gifts for loving characterization and powers of story-telling. My only complaint is that every Rhone production turns the house into a mini-Jamaica, and it is hard to hear the show for the sound of people having a good time.

*Old Story Time* starts off as a nostalgia trip with the sight of a village story-teller gathering a crowd and getting his tongue going with a bottle of rum. Once under way, the story-teller (Rudolph Walker) returns in the role of an up-to-the-minute principal character. That is typical of the piece. It offers itself as a naive community entertainment; and without sacrificing that element it also deals very cannily with a range of issues that are far from simple.

Young Len (Carrington Walker), bullied into passing exams by his fire-breathing mother, quits the matchwood hut for the university and surfaces as a bank manager. All would be well, but for the fact that he has disobeyed his mother's instructions and married a black girl.

The plot that unwinds from this examines the paradoxes of self-betterment in a society that is quite sufficiently class-ridden without the interference of whites. You see Len switching between his computerized office and a voodoo woman (seeking help when his mother threatens to put a curse on the wife); and an action which follows through business deals in the shadow of school bullying.

This being a Rhone play, these issues are all articulated through a buoyantly funny plot, and language that really sings. I do not claim to understand it word for word. But to hear someone say: "That's where the perpendicular meets the protruberance that imlays the combrution" is a good deal better than simply being told that an irresistible force has met an immovable object.

The cast, from the paternal Mr Walker to Okon Jones's crooked real estate man, make the idiom and the action dance. But the crown of the author's production is Mona Hammond as the mother, excelling in volcanically comic reversals, acting with every inch of her body, and turning this wrong-headed imperious old dragon into folk heroine, recalling the old days of the Dublin Abbey.

**Irving Wardle**

# Tribal drums and death in Venice

**Othello**
Lyric Studio

Something of a shock after recent *Othellos*. Michael Boyd's production makes a point of being firmly set in the Renaissance. In the first moments, swelling Monteverdi accompanies Othello's wedding, an ostensibly private affair since the groom has no friends and the bride's are snubbing her.

Thereafter, Peter Ling's Tintoretto costumes (Othello's the finest of all) constantly evoke the sumptuous, complacent society that needs the Moor but will never fully accept him. And inevitably, to him, Venice becomes a place he never understands and, for all his candour and nobility, subconsciously mistrusts. The play is littered with references to the wantonness of Venetian women, gradually eroding his confidence.

The upstage shrine reminds us of another spiritual adjustment Venice demands of him, as well as being a reference point for the Christian imagery of salvation and damnation with which *Othello* is saturated. For their joint vow of vengeance Iago kneels to the Virgin, but Othello to unseen gods of his own – and, rather unnecessarily, proclaims his return to the jungle by tearing off his doublet as tribal drums rise on the soundtrack.

Joseph Marcell (formerly of the RSC) is a slight, handsome Othello of great openness and charm, whose stylish verse-speaking belies his claim to "rudeness of speech". No wonder he chose Desdemona: Sian Thomas has more integrity and delicacy than the other Venetians put together. The burly Cassio (Peter Wight) has little breeding and certainly no "beauty in his life"; and Nick Dunning, showing how much Roderigo's role can gain with intelligent playing, declines wretchedly from a distracted milksop into a broken (and broke) wreck.

The production, though, desperately needs a really rich performance nearer the centre. What it gets is Philip Whitchurch's Scouse Iago, given to grins that crinkle the corners of his eyes in obvious insincerity, and constantly smirking after lines whose point he has failed to make.

But the many doors half-hidden in Mr Ling's stark tower-chamber set bring on the eavesdropping Roderigo like lightning; and, thanks to the gauze traverses, the poor wretch's murder takes place at the feet of the front row instead of being hidden in upstage gloom. Once again this studio proves to be a designer's paradise. Unfortunately, as this *Othello* shows, it also puts underdeveloped performances in an unflattering spotlight.

**Anthony Masters**

## Television

SOE (BBC1) is living up to its initial promise. Last night's edition, *Subversion*, dealt with the improbable wartime goings on in Denmark. Indeed, from the moment of the Germans' dawn invasion, the whole situation was improbable. Realizing the futility of resistance King Christian decreed compliance, with the result that until 1942 the country's government, courts and police coasted legally along. A sizeable proportion of the citizenry offered goods and services to their invaders, who gratefully dubbed the country the Whipped Cream Front.

Thanks to plentiful amounts of clandestine newsreel film, both the unreal calm of that period and the furious civil disorder which followed were vividly recalled. There was even a clip of the moment when, after the government had aligned itself against the allies, the King became the focus for student protest. We saw railway lines and factories deftly destroyed, and a line-up of shipyard workers who had built the Linz, we saw the face of the man who blew it up, prior to its maiden voyage, with a limpet-mine smuggled in his lunch-box.

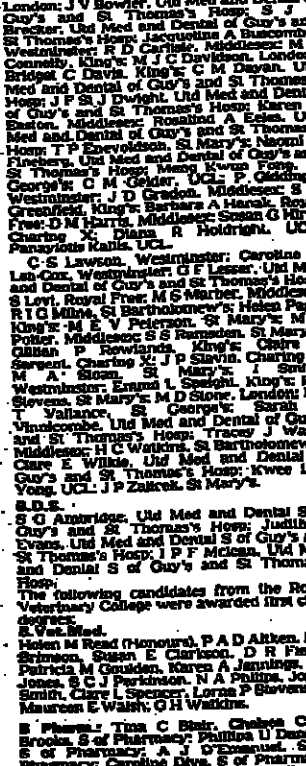
We met some of the reckless few who worked for SOE (the Special Operations Executive) and did not die of gunshot wounds or malfunctioning parachutes. The top executive whose simultaneous responsibility it was to create a national sabotage network from scratch. The radio operator who was knocked out as he hit the ground, awoke to find a dog playing round him which he pressed into service as an alibi, recovered slowly from amnesia, remembered the codeword, found his friends, survived when they were shot, was imprisoned by the Danish police, and released into the waiting arms of the Gestapo.

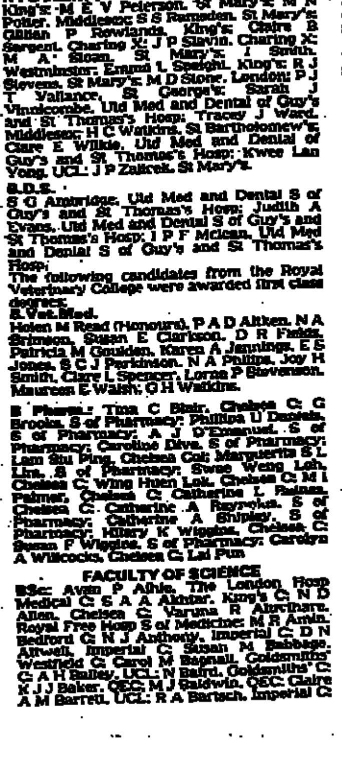
The cameras eavesdropped on a communal meal in a Jutland inn which had been a clearing house for guns and ammunition. On the table, carefully placed in shot, were photos of the relatives who had risked death for the movement and finally been unlucky. As one Danish agent put it: "The SOE bought for Denmark its ticket, its entry card into the free world". As did the 87 children who died in their school, accidentally killed when the RAF sent 18 Mosquito bombers to liberate – successfully – virtually the entire Danish SOE corps, immured in prison and awaiting slaughter.

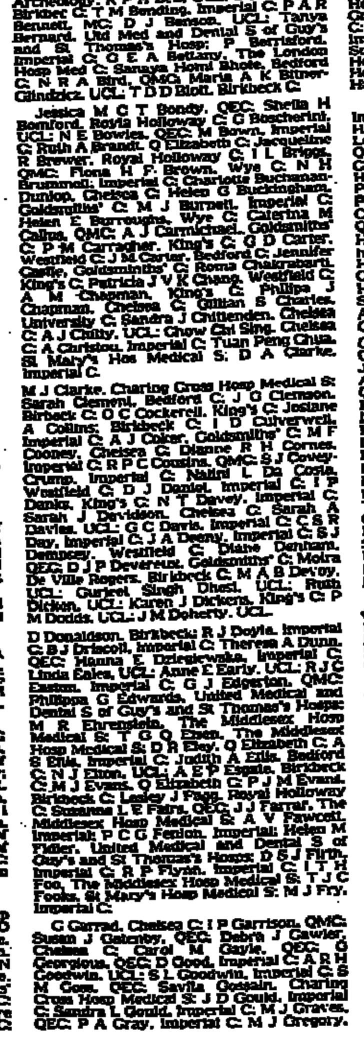
**Michael Church**

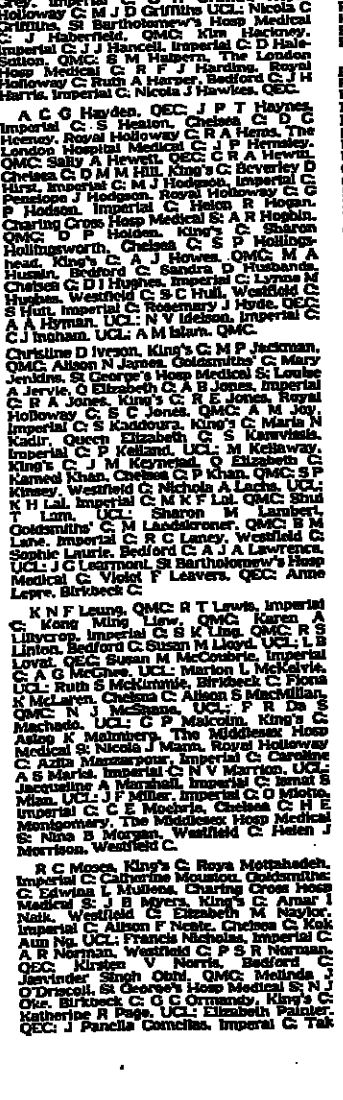
# First-class honours degrees at London University

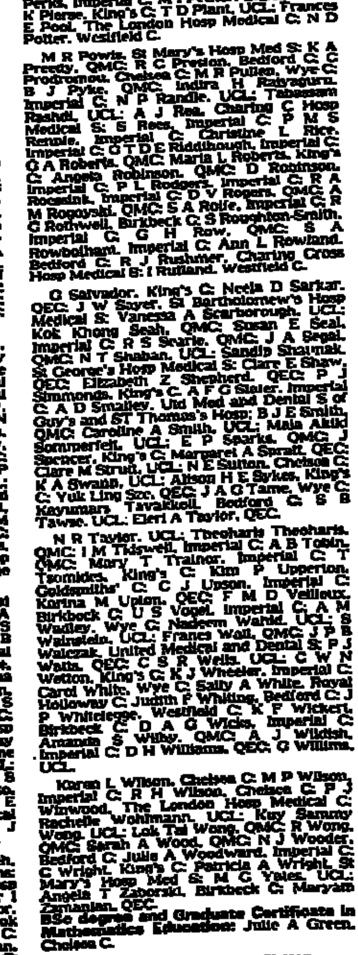
The following first class honours have been announced by the University of London:

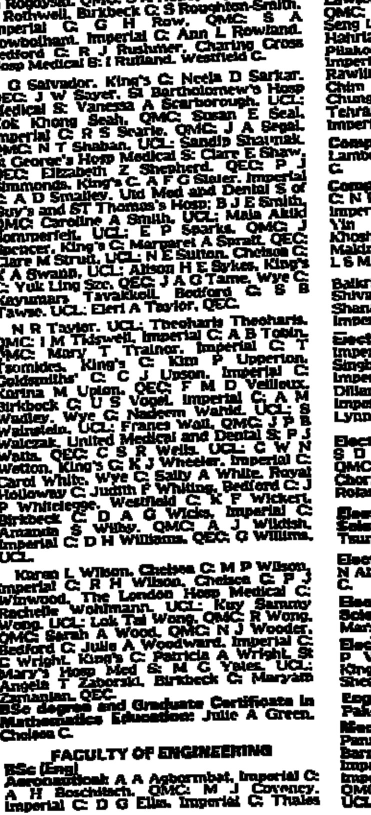


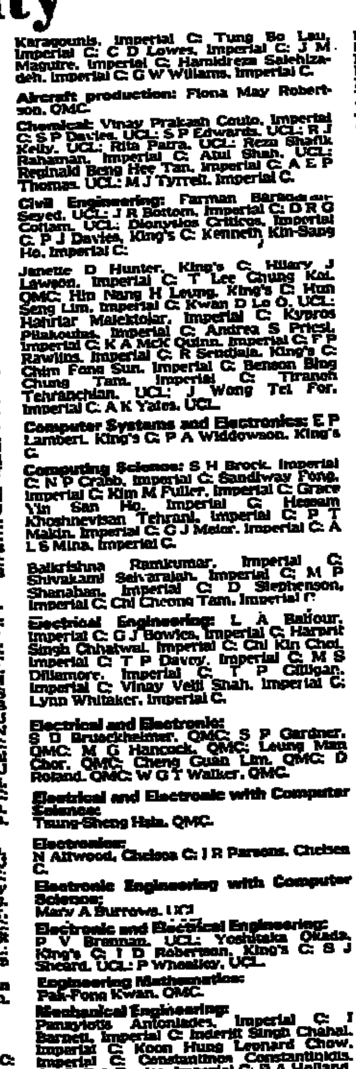


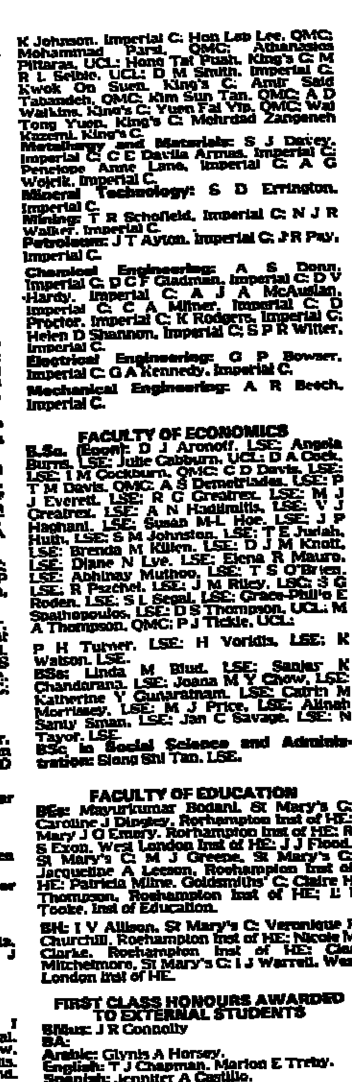












A SPECIAL REPORT

Private industry and commerce are leading what recovery there is in the construction industry and companies are 'looking for something significant from the Government' as the Chartered Institute of Building celebrates its 150th anniversary

# The builders

Recession has had a dramatic effect on the British construction industry. Put simply, there has been a shift from the public to the private sector, from new-build to repair and improvement and an increasing discrepancy between the market share in the North and North-East of the country and the South and particularly South-East. As the parts of the country furthest from London have tended to rely more on public-sector contracts in the past, so they have now suffered doubly.

Latest figures from the Department of the Environment show that private industry and commerce are leading what recovery there is. Industrial orders remain the strongest sector, with a 41 per cent lead over a year ago, and 35 per cent up for the manufacturing sector during the first six months of the year. In the public sector, defence contracts have pushed up the value of work from £168m in the first quarter to £236m in the second.

But even private housebuilding, which only last year many industry leaders saw as the only real area which was bucking the general trend, fell off dramatically in the early summer. Figures released last month show orders down 11 per cent on the first quarter and 9 per cent below a year ago.

Michael Millwood, president of the Building Employers Confederation, says: "Frankly, there has not been much sign of a recovery at all. The current level of building activity is 40 per cent below what it was 10 years ago, in real terms. If you take the upturn in private house-building and refurbishment, then it is still 25 per cent below".

The industry was, of course, at the peak of its postwar boom just over 10 years ago. It has had to try to come to terms with successive governments using capital projects as an economic regulator, but familiarity with the problem over a number of years has not made it any more palatable. Mr Millwood adds: "We are looking for something significant from the Government". So far, at least, the Prime Minister has turned a deaf ear to industry pleas through its Group of Eight lobby of consultants, contractors and labour organizations.

In June the National Economic Development Office published its latest forecasts for 1984-1985-1986, prepared by the Joint Forecasting Committee of the Building and Development Councils. Though it predicts a rate of growth of 2.5 per cent by the end of the year, this is expected to fall again with the economy at large. No change is forecast for 1985 and a slight downturn is likely in 1986.

But industry gloom has not made it despondent – far from it. Peter Short, president of the Chartered Institute of Building, which represents 28,000 building managers, says it has responded by marketing itself better and through innovation. Those factors are going to be critical while contractors are expected to compete in the marketplace depleted by voluntary restraint in the public sector – and quite possibly further setbacks this autumn; and a much more demanding private sector client, especially those represented by the British Property Federation.

John Watts, managing director of Lovell Construction, recently launched a campaign to give his company a much higher profile. He says: "We have had a record number of opportunities to bid for work, but our success rate is now one in 15 rather than one in five.

"We have to be very selective. We have maintained turnover but the margins are very tight. Our competitors are now becoming more realistic in their pricing, however; they were suicidal in some instances". Builders still head the number of bankruptcies every year, and there is a saying that 'the easiest thing in the world is to get a job'.

Lovell Construction has found new markets for itself, adding a series of hospitals for the private sector to its more usual workload of offices, hotels and shopping centres. Meanwhile the Saatchi advertising agency have been trying to bring a little bit of the advertising world's glamour and razzamatazz to the normally staid business of the building industry, at the builders' initiative.

Mr Millwood says: "We are making a concerted effort to influence the Government, MPs, industrialists and the man in the street about the need for more building. We believe that we can show show people that expenditure on bricks and mortar is a good investment". He believes that it is possible to a large extent to spend our way out of the recession and eat up unemployment in the process.

The introduction of the confederation's long-awaited public guarantee scheme on October 3 will be a significant step for the industry, far-reaching in its scope. It will also help to overcome some of the public concerns about dealing with some builders, especially those outside the membership of the official organizations and those in the black economy.

Ironically, at the same time the confederation was receiving tacit approval of its guarantee from the Office of Fair Trading, the Government gave a huge boost to the black economy by introducing VAT at 15 per cent on alterations and improvements. When that percentage is translated into money, for example £750 on a £5,000 contract, that is enough to dissuade many people from building, or at least to hesitate. "And to hesitate in this industry is tantamount to saying goodbye," says Mr Millwood.

The net result of VAT has been to act as a brake on work, and to transfer a lot of work from respectable firms to the fly-by-nighters. After the Budget builders obtained from the Prime Minister a categorical asurance that VAT would not be imposed on housebuilding or the rest of construction in any future Budget; but removal of the lower limit for registration would go some way to avoiding a continuing problem, the confederation believes. Another fiscal penalty, the removal of industrial allowances from next year, is likely to have a dampening effect on this market.

One other major by-product of the long-term recession has been the private sector client's–particularly the property market's–increasing awareness that as it is paying the piper it should have more say in calling the tune.

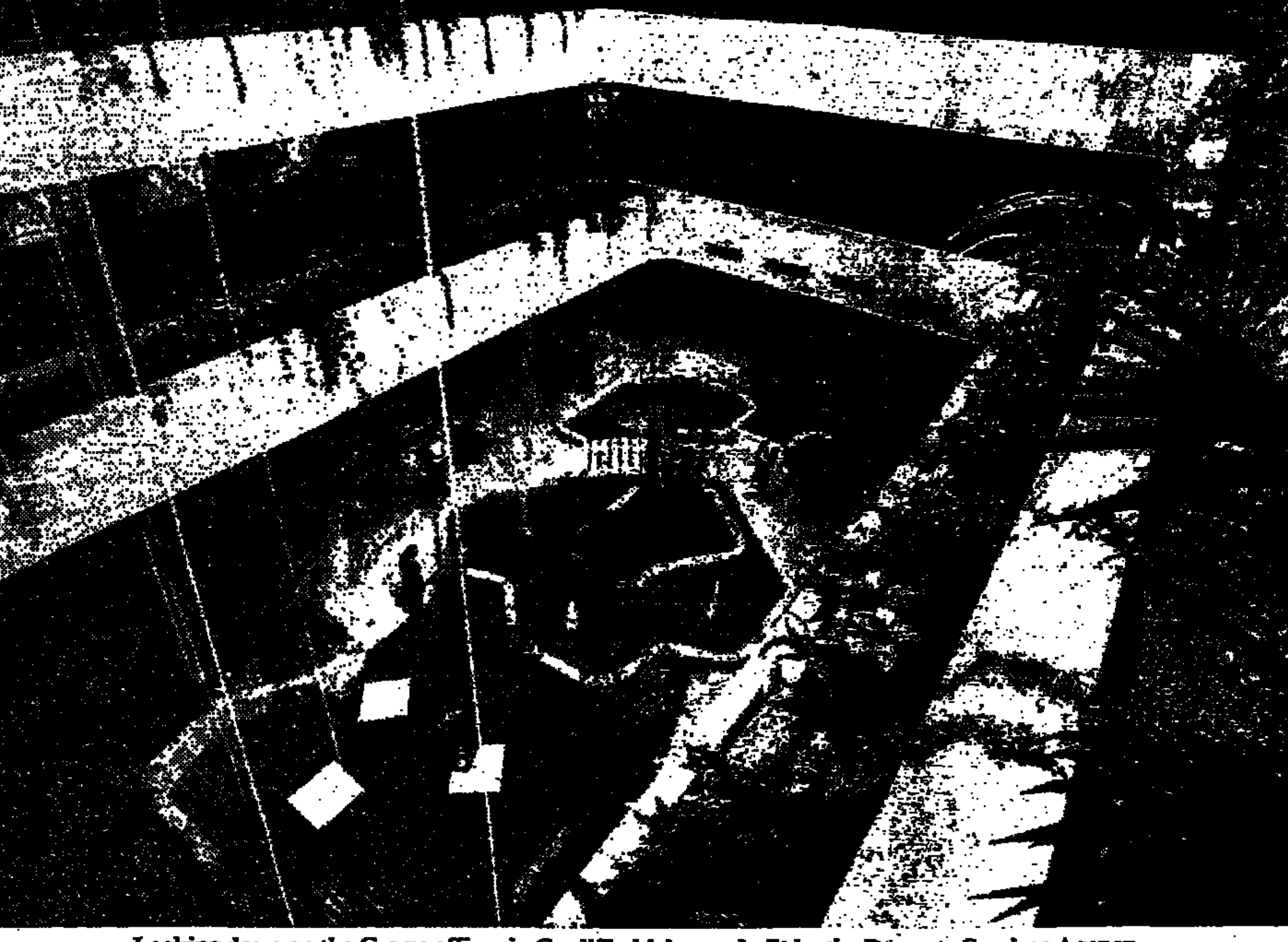
This is partly because of lessons learnt from American experience; and partly to contractors moving from public sector contracts, where accounting for every penny of expenditure and the avoidance of the corruption of public officers were more important than getting the job done quickly.

The introduction of new types of building contract, the changing responsibility of the consultant (particular the architect), and the setting up of performance-orientated project management contracting firms (under various guises) have meant that some very positive changes have come about during dificult times.

Recession has meant a leaner industry; in some respects it is a fitter one, while in others it is positively anorexic. The industry is also more accountable than ever before, to its clients and the public at large.

Its greatest challenge is to keep its nerve while bearing the brunt of continuing restraint in public sector, capital projects; maintaining standards of relationship between all those who are part of the building process; and training new recruits for an industry which faces an uncertain future.

**Charles Knevitt**
*Architecture Correspondent*



Looking down on the Crown offices in Cardiff which were built by the Property Services Agency

### The British construction industry

- ☐ **Value for work: About £23,000m – ie about 12 per cent of the gross domestic product.**
- ☐ **Share: private industrial and commercial 29 per cent, public works (non-housing) 31 per cent, housing 40 per cent.**
- ☐ **Employees: more than 1.5 million (about 2 million when associated *manufacturing and distribution are included*). Construction is the largest single production-industry employer. It is just over half the size of the country's three biggest service industries (retailing, finance and public administration). Construction is three times the size of agriculture and mining.**

● Source: *Focus on Construction*, published by the Building Employers Confederation and the Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors.

# The new heritage of fine building

The construction industry has undergone profound changes lately, yet the public's perception of it has hardly kept pace. Which is why the Chartered Institute of Building wanted to use the opportunity of its 150th anniversary celebrations to put over a few facts about it in 1984.

Building Tomorrow's Heritage is the promotional aspect of the institute's anniversary. Its objects are "to generate a greater knowledge and clearer understanding of building and to demonstrate that it is a complex, well-managed, technically advanced industry, providing the nation with a fine new heritage of good-quality buildings, as well as preserving the best of the old".

Douglas G. Goddard, deputy chief executive of the institute and the man responsible for coordinating the campaign, is under no illusions about the scale of the task and the scepticism with which some people will greet such worthy aims.

He says: "Our sophisticated, demanding and articulate society is rightly questioning the quality of the built environment for which the building industry is primarily responsible. There is an intense demand for aesthetically pleasing and yet economically functional buildings and the industry has never before come up against so much public scrutiny and pressure to produce buildings of quality".

To help it in its task, it has enlisted the support of Rotary clubs and chamber of commerce, women's institutes and public libraries, 1,000 building society branch offices and hundreds of individuals outside, as well as within, the industry.

With the campaign now into its ninth month, and the "Go Site-Seeing" campaign associated with it now in its fourth month, Mr Goddard is delighted with the response.

Activities organized by the institute's regional and branch offices include a computer-building game for schools and ambitious sponsorship of the National Association of Boys' Clubs' building project, both by the Eastern Region, a mobile BTH Portakebin which toured the West Midland Region during the summer; and the Southern Region's Festival of Building which attracted 6,000 visitors.

Still to come are a joint CIOB/Royal Institute of British Architects' float at the Lord Mayor's Show; and an Open Day at the Government's Building Research Establishment at Garston, near Watford, in December. During the autumn schools will be involved in competitions and projects aimed at reaching the next generation of builders and building users.

The CIOB's conference which opens at the new Anugraha Conference Centre, near Egham, tomorrow will provide an opportunity for its many overseas members to meet, and for plans to be made for an International Confederation of Institutes of Building.

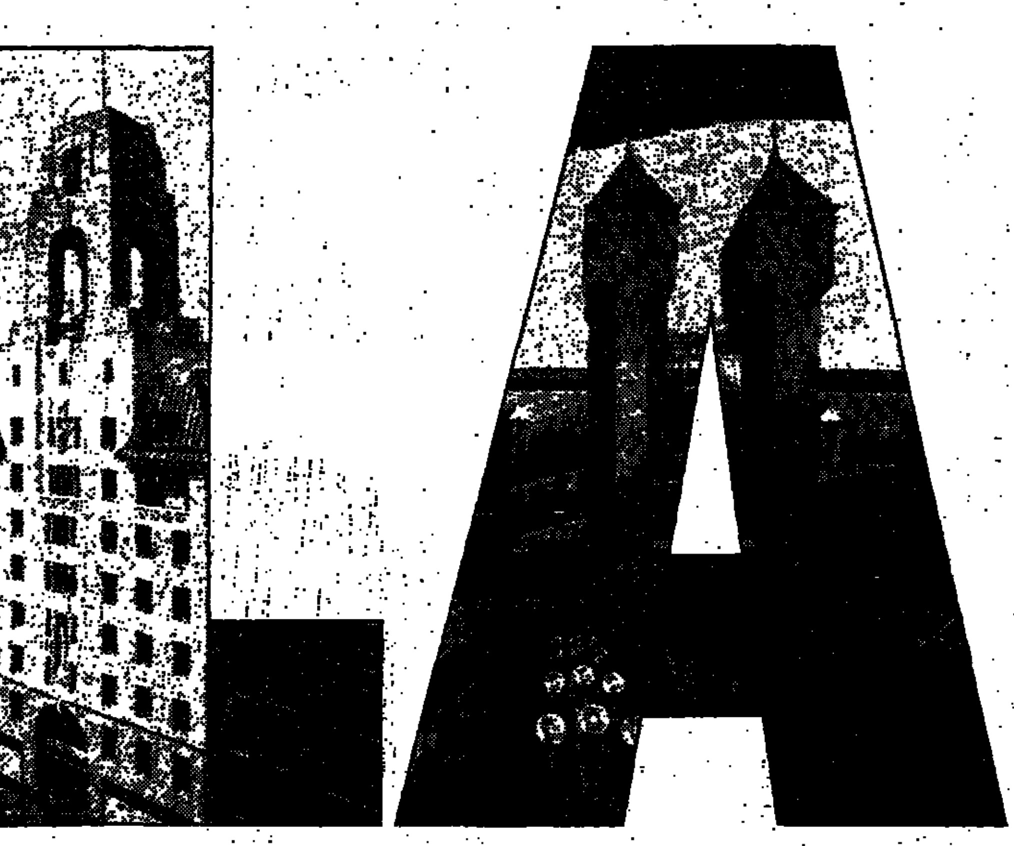
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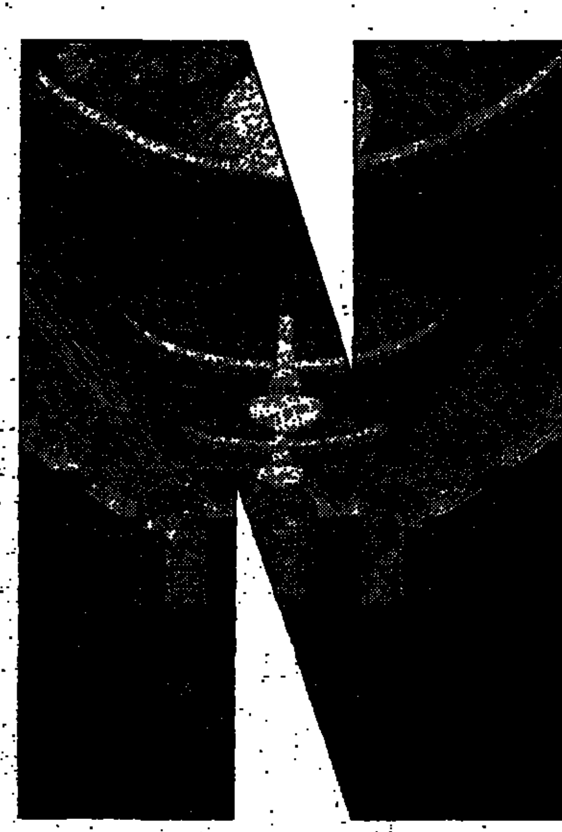
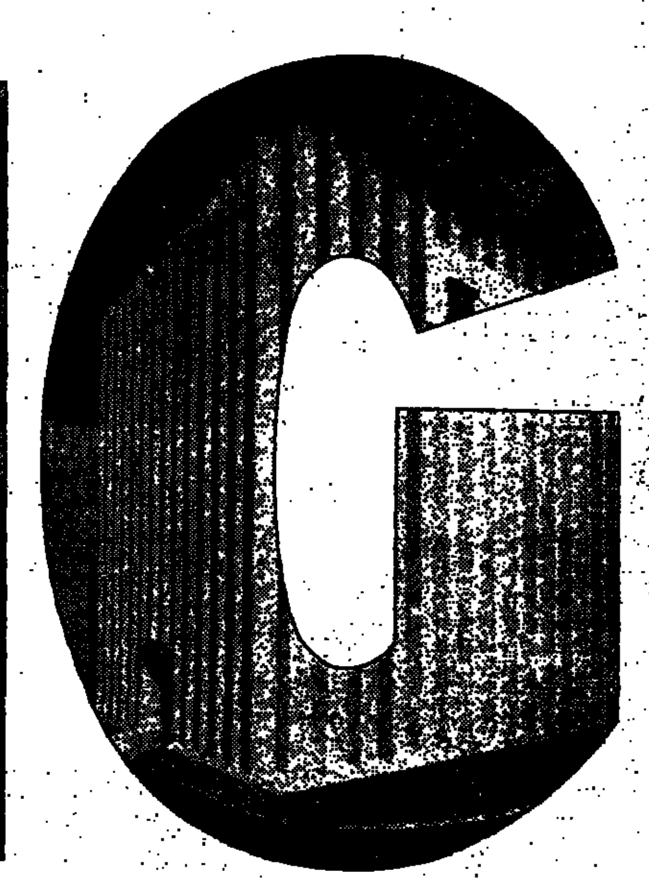
**● Most contractors are only too anxious to keep the public clear of their sites. Eight-foot-high boardings, steel-mesh fencing and padlocked gates are enough to get over the message. But as part of the CIOB's 150th anniversary celebrations a national 'Go Site-seeing' programme has been organized to encourage people – and especially schoolchildren and students – to visit buildings under construction and learn more about the process.**

**The campaign was launched by Dame Mary Donaldson, Lord Mayor of London, at the £157m Lloyds' building in the City, on June 4. Other prestigious sites, out of nearly 400 which have opened since then, include Paradise Circus, Birmingham; the restored Royal Pavilion, Brighton; and the new £36m Scottish Exhibition Centre, Glasgow.**



Englemere, the headquarters of the Chartered Institute of Building, at Ascot



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# The pressure of VAT, and how to beat the cowboy

Construction is a federation of incestuous industries. This multiple personality is one reason that reports of the failure or success of the "*construction* industry" should be treated with caution. The problems of the civil engineering industry, for instance, with its 90 per cent dependence on public funds, differ totally from those of housebuilding and general contracting.

Contractors and builders also vary greatly from the "cowboys" – the fly-by-nighters – offering to "do yer drive for yer guv" in the *twilight zone of the* black economy, to nationally respected organizations.

The twilight zone has more than its fair share of publicity, but it is this "market" that stands most to gain from the imposition of 15 per cent VAT on building alterations earlier this year. Builders protested that small companies would be forced out of business, but to no avail.

Builders shiver at the thought of VAT being spread across the board, despite Patrick Jenkin's assurances that the Government will oppose any move by the EEC to apply VAT to new property development. Meanwhile, one way in which the success of the cowboys could be lessened is for building societies to insist that domestic work is carried out by VAT-registered firms.

Government intransigence on VAT only mirrors its general policy towards the industries. The token visits to No 10 are unlikely to offset the fact that the public client is now no longer the major force in general contracting. This withdrawal of public support has been painful, but it has sharpened the appetite for new markets and forced companies to adopt an attitude in which the *client's* need comes first. The chairman of Y. J. Lovell and *senior vice-president* of the Chartered Institute of Building, Norman Wakefield, noted this "quiet revolution" at a conference on the Building EDC report, *Faster building for industry*.

He pointed to the emergence of the private sector as the dominant client and a greater awareness of value for money in the public sector as being the main factors which have forced *builders to become* involved in development risks. Mr Wakefield said: "The builder has taken charge for the first time in years. He is there to build a building, not beat the contract fine print. He is actually in control; sub-contractors can and will perform; suppliers will supply; labourers will labour ... completion on time has become a reality."

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Wakefield is backing these brave words in print with an award-winning advertising campaign for Lovell. Its object is to reach the client directly by a free, videotape, a clever marketing ploy in an industry not noted for sophistication in advertising and publicity.

Firms such as Lovell are developing new markets in house-partnership schemes with local authorities, joint ventures with developers and in direct approaches to commercial and industrial clients to persuade them that new, tailor-made premises can boost productivity. The National Council of Building Material Producers says that there is more demand for specialized industrial building to high specification than demand for simple space. There is also a distinct regional bias with most of the activity concentrated in the southern *half of the country*.

The imbalance in trading between the South and South-east and the rest of the UK is a point taken by Cliff Gill, Wimpey Construction's director in charge of the southern area. He says: "The latest figures indicate that 35 per cent of the industry's output is located in the South-east and 40 per cent of this 35 per cent is in the Greater London area." He says that civil engineering is in the doldrums and major expenditure in the South-east is principally limited to the London orbital motorway and power stations elsewhere in the country.

Looking at the marketplace generally, Gill confirms the probable growth in industrial building over the next two years, but adds that this starts from a very low base. In the public sector he sees government spending controls affecting the market harshly with possible exceptions being prisons and local authority leisure developments.

"Ironically," says Mr *Gill*, "with a high level of unemployment, both the private and public leisure market would appear to be a growth market."

The increase in rates is just one of the problems facing housebuilders. In its submission to the National Federation of Housing *Association's Inquiry into British Housing*, the Chartered Institute of Building says that "land for building is both scarce and expensive and often in the wrong place. Cheap housing on expensive land imposes commercial constraints which dictate the type, quality and density of a development. Bungalows are popular but they are rarely built because of land scarcity."

Terry Roydon, president of the Housebuilders Federation, says that by the beginning of 1985 "the problem of land supply will have become acute. *In some areas this means that* many young people cannot afford to buy their first home. In Cranmore-Widney, Solihull for example, the price of land has reached £125,000 an acre, making the price of land between £8,000 and £15,000 a house, depending on its size."

Mr Roydon counters the claim that there is enough derelict land in the inner cities for all new house building. "In Birmingham, for instance, the local council is doing all it can to make city land available for new homes, but the supply is finite and soon the land available where people want to live will be running out."

Over the last few years the housebuilding industry has become acutely aware of the *need to smooth the way* for buyers with attractive finance arrangements, part-exchange deals, and housing targetted towards particular groups. The housebuilders have also pooled their resources in a major promotion for new housing through the New Homes Marketing Board.

These innovations have also had their hiccups, with criticism of starter homes and timber-frame construction. The Chartered Institute of Building has suggested that the use of new methods and materials in housing should be well-researched to meet stringent standards set by independent bodies. The problem is that producers need the results of tests fast in order to meet the needs of the market, but materials and methods require long-term testing. The systems building fiasco – the cost of repairs to which is, ironically, providing a market for the industry – is a reminder that grand scale "live" testing of housing can be a disaster.

In the general contracting and civil engineering industries, the overseas market has provided an outlet in the past years from the recession at home. Charles *Dampney, a partner in stock*brokers Savory Milln, says that fortunes have been mixed. The major contractors who were well established in the Middle East secured some very profitable work.

He added: "By contrast, many of our medium-sized *companies who entered* the boom in the latter part of the 1970s emerged with burnt fingers."

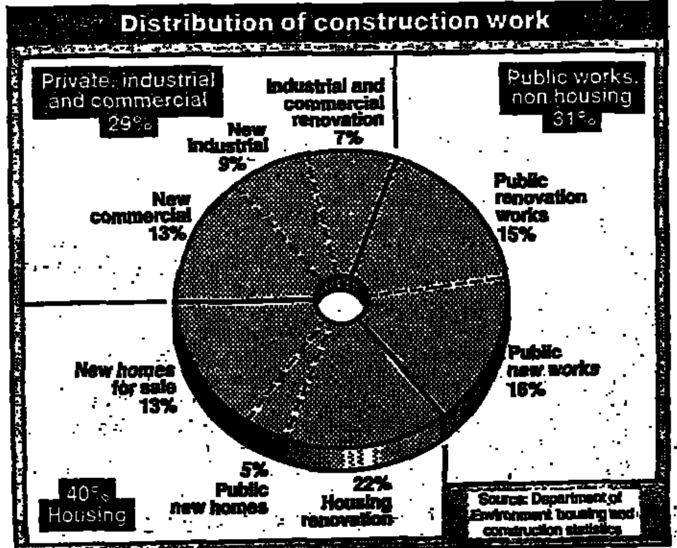
The present situation overseas, according to Robert Wharton, managing director of High-Point Services Group plc, is that contractors must be willing to understand and contribute to the *financial* success of a project. Banks and funding agencies are no longer willing to see their money pour into a bottomless pit.

They demand better controls on overspending. Agencies also question the need to put 20 per cent of the finance up front in order to get *projects off the* ground. Contractors will not be able to get involved unless they are able to raise this money.

*According to the* Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors, the home market for the industry remains poor. The FCEC blames the mismatch between short-term budgetting in the public sector compared with the longer-term planning needed for civil engineerin projects. The federation says: "Patrick Jenkin's restrictions on local authority spending are timely examples of the kind of stop-start policies which have *inhibited prudent* capital planning.

Road-building continues to be the major civil-engineering sector, but figures show that this may begin to tail off in 1985/86. Capital investment on water and sewerage has virtually halved in the last decade, but there are signs of a modest improvement. In one field, however, in contradiction to the norm, government policy has had a dramatically positive effect, in defence work, says the Federation, there has been a tenfold increase in the five years up to 1983/84.

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Houses at Stockbridge council estate, Liverpool, before and after refurbishment as part of a £30m five-year project involving 3,500 homes. Barratt has been developer and contractor for the scheme in partnership with Government, a bank, a building society and the housing corporation.

## IN PROFILE

# Keeping an eye on the profits



☐ **Michael Millwood,**
*President, Building Employers Confederation; joint vice-chairman of John Laing PLC, parent company of the Laing Group*

Born in Southend-on-Sea in 1929, and educated at Pinner County Grammar School, Michael Millwood joined John Laing on leaving school in 1946 as an articled pupil. Apart from two years' National Service, he has been with the company ever since.

He qualified as a quantity surveyor and was president of the Institute of Quantity Surveyors in 1973-74. He is presently a member of the General Council of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. From 1975 to 1983 he was chairman of the Confederation Contracts Committee and is now its deputy chairman. He was its representative on the *Joint Contracts Tribunal* in 1973 and recently became chairman of the newly-formed Industry Workload Steering Group.

In 1980 he was appointed to the board of John Laing, and in 1983 was appointed its joint vice-chairman. He is married with a son and daughter and lives in Berkhamstead, Hertfordshire.

As the first full-time national president of the Building Employers *Confederation*, Mr Millwood spends most of his time away from John Laing. But he says that the main issue confronting a company of Laing's size is the need to secure work which maintains its position at a time of reduced workload, and maintains its *profitability*.

It is continuing its presence overseas, while looking for new markets at home and becoming more involved in property developments. It is also taking on smaller jobs than many would not associate with one of the country's biggest contractors.

Problems include the availability of land for the house-building, an issue taken up by the House-Builders Federation; *the effects of the introduction of* value-added tax in the last Budget, especially as it has dampened institutional investment in refurbishment projects; and the availability of certain skills among the workforce, but only in certain areas. "It is not a major problem," he says.

He adds: "As a major contractor the biggest challenge is trying to plan ahead for workload. It is becoming increasingly difficult as the Government continues to use the industry as an economic regulator". Like everyone in the industry, he would like to see the Government devoting more to capital projects such as building and civil engineering.

THE BUILDERS

## A comeback for the old Victorian rosette

# Nostalgic appeal of good red bricks

Tradition is a word modern architects love to hate. Yet none of these custodians of taste and style in modern architecture seems to have succeeded in quelling a widespread nostalgic inclination towards natural building materials such as red brick and stone, reminiscent of the nation's country houses, cathedrals, castles and universities.

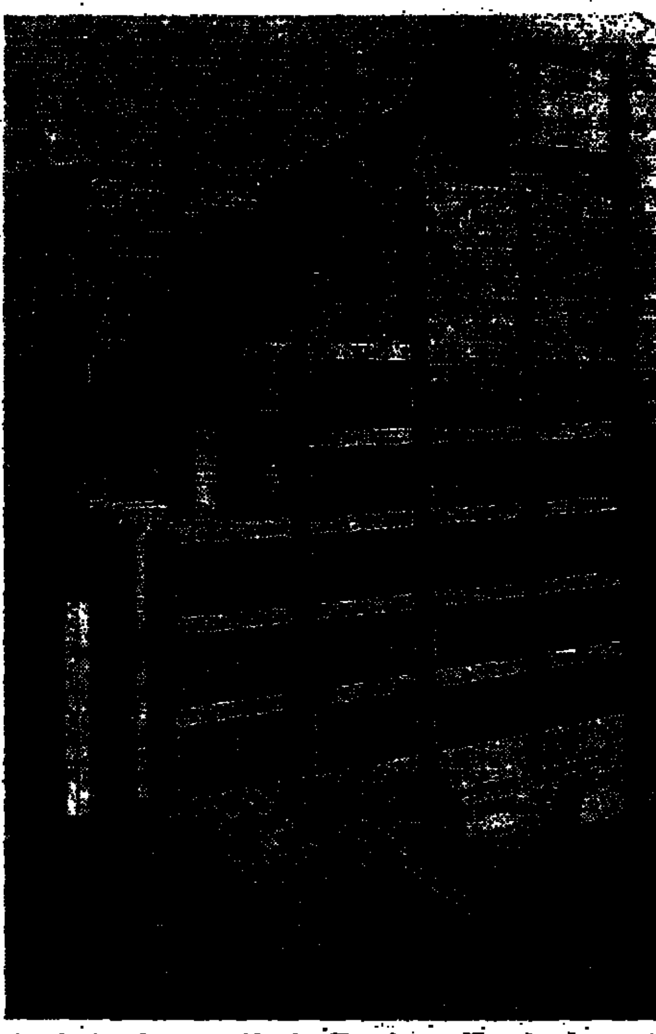
Before Prince Charles uttered a word of his preference for beautiful architecture, building-material manufacturers were beginning to notice a hankering for a look appropriate to local settings.

Despite this revival for some types of bricks, the market in general is undergoing a transition. The whole industry is suffering from a shortfall of 50 million bricks a month. Deliveries of all types of bricks rose by 1 per cent over the January-to-June figure for last year, even though manufacturers were expecting a smaller demand. A decline is evident in the July-only figure for this year over last year's July-only figure, which is 3 per cent down for all brick deliveries. But a revival ensures some bricks will experience a buoyant level of demand.

Ibstock Johnson, known as the "Harrods" of the brick manufacturers, is reported to be "struggling to keep up with demand" for its more attractive bricks. A company official said: "We are still taking out of stock, but the stocks are getting low".

To meet demand in the refurbishment sector, the company in 1981-82 began making bricks such as the old Victorian rosette and diamond pattern that had disappeared from the market. But recent news of the government cutting back even further on home improvement grants as well as a decline in private housebuilding this year is likely to affect these markets.

Demand for reconstituted stone seems to be benefitting from this return to traditional materials. E. H. Bradley Building Products Limited in Wiltshire reports that its products ar selling mainly to conservation areas. Its sales are 10,000 to 11,000 metres a week – an average size house needing between 130 and 150 metres.



London's 10-storey Lloyds Chambers office development: changing to a steel frame cut the contract period by nearly nine months.

Timber was used extensively in the construction of our historic town and country houses. Yet timber-frame, with brick cladding – a modern method of system building using imported timber from Scandinavia is experiencing a reaction against it from medium to small house-builders. Some of them in turn are informing potential house-buyers that they sell "traditional" houses only – built with brick and block.

### Timber frame housing down

The National House-Building Council in its quarterly bulletin on the market share of types of housing reports that timber frame's share is falling: from 22 per cent last June to just over 14 per cent this June. The percentage is expected to hover around the 13 mark this month.

In Scotland, where timber-frame is most popular, the Scottish House-Builders Federation is waiting to confirm anecdotal evidence that the share has dropped from 50 per cent to 40 per cent. House-builders are loath to attribute this fall exclusively to last year's *World In Action* television programme warning of the danger of condensation in these houses, although none has yet been found. Mud flung in the programme on the laxity of site practice in this method of building seems to have stuck to Barratt house-builders. The company's pre-tax profit is expected by analysts to slide from £52.2m last June to between £35m and £32m this year.

A building-materials analyst, Angus Phaure, of Fielding Newson Smith, forecasts that because of changes in the rules governing capital allowances, if companies are going to construct new buildings for plant, it is going to be now. He says: "The private industrial and commercial figures are massively increasing. For instance, in May this year, the figure for private industrial orders is 70.4 per cent up on last year. Private commercial orders are 39.4 per cent up."

Mr Phaure thinks this will cause a gap in 1987: "If all the private industrial and commercial building is brought forward, which would have been placed anyway, when you come to 1986-87, there will be a yawning gap".

Manufacturers most likely to benefit from this are those in steel and concrete, albeit in the short term. Architects in the news recently building with structural steel are Richard Rogers, who designed the new Lloyd's Chambers in the City. (Described by one Londoner as an "oil refinery"), and Norman Foster.

Manufacturers of concrete cannot deny that some clients are switching to steel. But they do dispute British Steel's figures. They say there is no method of calculating just how many buildings are constructed from reinforced concrete so how can BSC claim its steel framing accounts for 38 per cent of the total floor areas of buildings of two storeys and over, compared with 42 per cent for in-situ concrete?

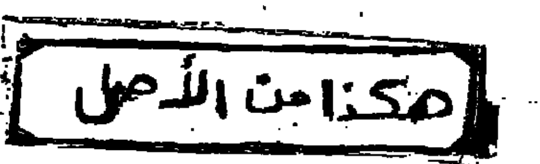
British Steel's structural steels marketing manager, Bob Letter, goes on to claim that in high rise buildings (six-storeys and over) the growth in the use of steel has been "even more striking, jumping from just 8 per cent in 1980 to 23 per cent in 1984." One of the reasons for this, he says, is that "from June 1976 to December 1983 the cost of ready-mixed concrete has risen nearly 2½ times as much as structural steel while that of structural pre-cast and prestressed units has increased more than twice as much."

The concrete industry's answer to that is that BSC's costs are kept artificially low because it is a nationalized industry. Trent Concrete Structures also challenges Mr Latter's figures. In a report extensively chronicling the cost comparisons of using in-situ, pre-cast concrete and steel, it posits that its pre-cast T6 system can save 19.2 per cent of the client's in-situ costs on a 10-storey building constructed in a 101-weeks period – five times faster than steel.

Pilkington glass is also likely to benefit from this interlude in the construction industry's recession. It is the sole manufacturer of flat glass and safety glass in the UK and is responsible for all the sales, with 53 per cent of the market share. But Pilkington's is at pains to point out that it is not connected to the fortunes of the building industry.

**Madeleine Dyer**





# Contracts: it's not just keeping clients happy

**Bardolph:**
*When we mean to build,*
*We first survey the plot, then draw the model,*
*And when we see the figure of the house,*
*Then must we rate the cost of the erection,*
*Which if we find outweighs ability,*
*What do we then but draw anew the model*
*In fewer offices, or, at least, desist*
*To build at all?*
**Henry IV (Part II), Act I, Scene III**

Bardolph, one of the "irregular humourists" along with Falstaff, Pistol and Peto in Shakespeare's *Henry IV*, was playing the straight man when he described the initial stages in commissioning a new building.

The British Property Federation, which has recently decided to play a much more prominent role as the client of so much of the construction industry's current workload, thought it appropriate to quote these lines in the introduction to its *Manual of the BPF System for Building Design and Construction*, published just before Christmas last year. No doubt it was meant to serve as a gentle reminder to contractors that whoever signs the cheques expects to know exactly what he is getting, and how much it is going to cost, *before* there is a firm commitment to build.

The BPF's entry into the contract world was inevitable. It is the most recent stage in a process which has seen a significant change in role for the architect, as the traditional "project leader", and in the main contractor reducing his responsibility and risk by passing it on to a variety of sub-contractors.

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Today the project manager is as likely to be an engineer, or surveyor, or professional building manager as an architect, as the philosophy of the BPF's approach begins to filter through the industry. The only doubt which remains is the speed at which the change will come about, and how much will be sacrificed on the altar of compromise by the different parties.

To a large degree the BPF's approach introduces a practical response to a number of key findings in the June 1983, *Faster building for industry* report by the Building EDC. Especially, the conclusions that:

- "fast building is possible without sacrificing either cost or quality";
- "responsibilities within the (building) team must be clearly defined and in particular the customer must be clear as to who is the team leader";
- and "inexperienced customers need advice".

The Joint Contracts Tribunal (JCT) was formed more than 50 years ago to draw up model contracts between clients and contractors, and contractors and their sub-contractors; but only in the last year has the private client been represented.

The BPF, which represents property developers, shopping chains, banks and insurance companies, among others, published the manual to explain how it wanted contracts organised in future.

Among its innovations are the appointment of a client's representative to manage his interest, freeing the designer from management responsibility; an independent adjudicator is appointed to settle any disputes or disagreements between the consultants, contractor and client; the contractor is made responsible for a proportion of the design; bills of quantities are done away with in favour of a "schedule of activities"; contractors can appoint whichever sub-contractors they choose; and the price is known in advance.

"The system provides for good management, places responsibility with those best able to carry it and includes incentives to consultants and contractors alike, encouraging them to improve buildability," says the federation. "More attractive and practical buildings should result. Moreover, the buildings will be provided at previously agreed prices".

Peter Short, president of the Chartered Institute of Building, which represents 28,000 building managers, says he is not surprised by the BPF move; it is up to the industry to respond positively. In fact the institute has collaborated closely with the BPF in organizing two conferences at which more than 700 delegates discussed the new system, which it supports in principle.

But it qualifies its support by saying that the BPF's own members must provide the appropriate time for the required information, advice and decisions demanded by the system, avoiding indecision and variations which has been a weakness of other recent systems; and the detailed procedures must be practical, equitable and straightforward in operation.

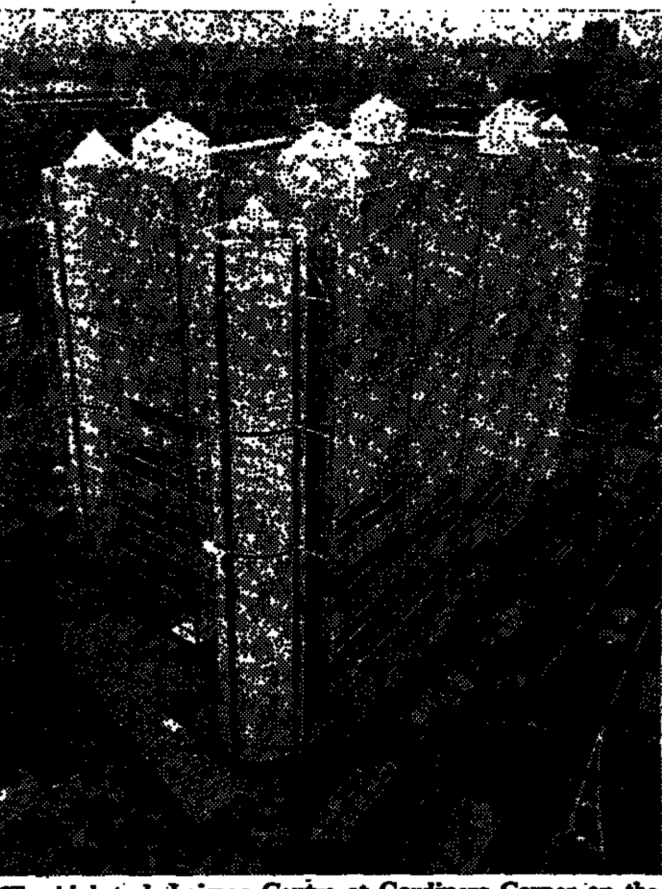
Norman Wakefield, chairman and chief executive of the Lovell Group, has described the BPF system as "a blow for freedom". He says: "I am not for them because they represent a panacea – a miracle cure for all our diseases – but because I sense a sincere and intelligent attempt to break through the traditional straightjackets in which we bind ourselves, to our mutual disadvantage".

Nevertheless he went on to describe the manual as "probably the most untested, imperfect, unrefined, contentious, biased; even – in places – unworked proposition ever to be dropped into the lap of a surprised industry".

*David* Trench, *managing* director of the project management *firm, Trench Farrow &* Partners, and a consultant to the BPF working party, says that various parts of the manual have been adopted in many existing-style contracts over the past year. What has impeded its wider use has been the lack of any form of new BPF-style contract to implement it until earlier this month.

The Association of Consultant Architects is working with *the BPF to adapt its form of* contract to the federation's new system; and last week the seeds of a compromise were reached with the main stream of the building industry; the JCT Standard Form With Contractor's Design might be amended to satisfy all parties.

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The high-tech Leisure Centre at Gardiners Corner on the fringe of the City of London




## The effect of the miners's strike

☐ *Peter Short, President, The Chartered Institute of Building; chairman and managing director, J A B Short Ltd, Chesterfield*

Peter Short was born in 1928 and educated at Repton School. He succeeded Hugh Try as president of the Chartered Institute of Building in May.

He began his career as an indentured trainee with Henry Boot & Sons for four years, before joining the family business founded by his grandfather, J A B Short. He was appointed a director of the firm in 1952 and rose to become its chairman and managing director as well as head of its subsidiary and associate companies. He also holds directorships in a number of companies in the fields of investment, property development, building and the leisure industry.

He was elected a fellow of the institute in 1966 and has held posts in his local centre nad region. He is a member of the Finance Advisory Committee and Policy Committee, and was vice-chairman of the Board of Building Education from 1977-1981 and chairman of the Membership Board from 1981 to 1983. He has also held several posts in local regions of the National Federation of Building Trades Employers (now BEC) and House-Builders Federation.

He is married and lives in Nottingham. He has a married daughter and a son who is a chartered surveyor.

As a small to medium-sized general contractor, with an emphasis on private house building, Mr Short shares a concern with many others in the East Midlands and South Yorkshire about the effects of the prolonged coal mining strike. The spin-offs are considerable for the local economy, including house sales, and for tenants of private property lets.

Much of his work is refurbishment, with little or no local authority schemes. His major problems are related to land availability for housing; the delay in receiving planning consents; and infrastructure.

# Getting the guarantees

Attempts to speed up the building process, to produce work *on time* and *on* budget with no loss of quality, has led virtually all the country's major contractors to set up new divisions in recent years. These tend to operate in parallel, but as an alternative to the normal tendering procedure.

David Jennings, marketing *manager of Hunting Gate* Design and Build, says: "The fact that with design and build the client can talk to a single organization, who can define their requirements and translate them into a design solution against a fixed cost and programme, presents a very attractive proposition.

The IDC Group, which has *built its success on* design and build, has introduced a Guaranteed *Maximum Price form* of contract which goes a stage further. A fully integrated service is provided with a guaranteed maximum price immediately the requirements have been agreed.

It means a final account can be prepared before the works are started, and can only be varied if ordered by the client. Ashley and Horner's Team Contracts is another design and build operation.

Taylor Woodrow Construction is working on several huge management contracts: the £35m reconstruction of Alexandra Palace in north London; the £200m Heathrow Terminal 4 project, one of the largest in Europe; and in July it was appointed by Vauxhall Motors *to build a £27m new paintshop* at the car plant in Luton.

The company established a separate division in the 1970s to carry out management contracting. It says that as there is an overlap between the design, tendering and construction periods, considerable savings in both time and cost result.

One of the most recent entries to the field is the Trafalgar House Group through *two of its subsidiaries*, Trollope & Colls Management and Cementation Projects. Since May it has offered management contracting, design/construct and project management.

Bovis has undertaken about 1,100 management fee contracts for Marks and Spencer over a period of more than 50 years, as the original company offering this service.

But when there is still a considerable amount of confusion among members of the industry about terms – design and build, management contracting, management fee and so on – how is the client going to be able to decide just what he wants?

Derek Hammond, principal of the country's largest independent project manager, thinks it is time everyone came to terms *with the terms the industry* uses. He runs the APC International Group within which the PMI project management partnership has operated since 1965.

He has produced a series of definitions of the various types of contract now generally available, based on information produced by the National *Economic Development Office*.

● **Types of Contract: Project management**
The project manager provides overall coordination of all aspects of any major construction project on behalf of the client, and is responsible for the preparation of the brief, together with the detailed programming and supervision of the design process.

The project manager will select the most appropriate form of contract and generally act as coordinator during the construction period. Project management appointments are only secured from clients, never via architects or quantity surveyors.

● **Management contract**
The management contractor provides planning, management and coordination on site for a fee agreed at the outset, but *all* construction work is sub-let against competitive bids. Orders and sub-contracts are placed by the management contractor who has some contractual risk. Projects are secured via clients, architects and quantity surveyors.

● **Management fee**
The contractor is responsible for planning, management and coordination of the project together with undertaking a substantial amount of the construction work directly. The cost of the project is based on *the estimate of prime cost* negotiated with the quantity surveyors as the design develops.

Orders and sub-contracts of non-direct works are placed by the management contractor who has some contractual risk. The actual fee paid may vary with a formula related to construction performance. Projects are secured via clients, architects and quantity surveyors.

● **Construction management**
The contractor is responsible for planning, management and coordination of the project and for establishing competitive bids for all elements of the work. The actual orders are placed directly by the client. The construction manager accepts no contractual risk. Projects are obtained from clients, architects and quantity surveyors.

● **Two-stage tender (fast track)**
The contractor prices an approximate *bill of quantities* with a fixed sum for preliminaries, *overhead and profits*, and fixed rates for the elements in the bill of quantities. This form of contract does allow for early contract or participation and depends on its success on the information available to the contractor at the outset.

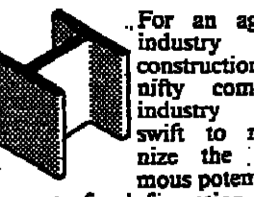
The contractor is fully responsible within the terms of the contract. Projects are seldom obtained from clients, normally from architects and *quantity surveyors*.

● **Standard form of contract**
The contractor prices a bill of quantities which forms part of *the standard form of contract*, and may be on a fixed price or variable basis. The contractor is responsible for all orders and all sub-contractors, some of whom may be nominated.

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An up-to-date aid to an age-old business – or an unnecessary gimmick?

# How the computer found itself with a constructive new role



For an age-old industry like construction, the nifty computer industry was swift to recognize the enormous potential it presents for information technology. Unconfirmed estimates suggest about 10 per cent of the industry's 80,000 construction companies, ranging from one-man bands to giants like the Wimpey Group are computerized to a greater or lesser extent. And with those 10 per cent, it is likely computer salesmen have learned to change their sales pitch from saving the industry money by shedding people like estimators and replacing them with machines, to ensuring machines will not replace estimators, merely enhance their efficiency.

Many builders will remain with their heads in their yards of sand. But other sectors, such as building design, have welcomed computers as an agent of freedom.

At the recent Central and Local Government Show, Stephen Quinlan, an architect with the construction industry's biggest client, the Property Services Agency, outlined just how valuable computer-aided design (CAD) has been to the design of British Telecom's new headquarters in the City.

Constructed by Higgs & Hill on the old Central Telegraph Office site, the building has nine storeys and a specialized roof structure. Mr Quinlan related how the constant need to amend drawings makes computer-aided design indispensable.

"CAD is particularly quick in this area", Mr Quinlan explained. "We can use the system to produce floor-plan drawings for coordination with various factions involved in the scheme".

One particular example of how CAD saved the client a considerable amount of money was when the air-conditioning and ceiling mounts on the plans had to be changed. As a result of using the system, the minimum amount of time was spent redrawing the plans to fit the mechanical engineers' renewed specification.

Some architects have "technofright" in that they fear CAD will take over the design of buildings. Mr Quinlan disagrees. "It is cost-effective, but it is not an alternative. Our sketches are still produced in the same way in our traditional drawing office".

Mr Quinlan looks forward to the day when the agency will be able to use the telephone to transfer drawings from office to site. "I see its main use in producing technical drawings economically and to a high standard, allowing architects to spend more time with their clients".

Forward-looking contractors like the Wimpey Group assembles its own microcomputers in-house. It developed a micro suitable for both office and building-site use and has installed more than 100 in its offices at home and overseas. It also writes software in-house for its construction and housebuilding sectors. The company It recently sold 26 of its micros to British Petroleum together with a software package entitled Microcompass.

This package is designed for cost-planners and project managers. It calculates the start and finish dates on site as well as cost-scheduling and can present information in the form of graphs and bar charts. These micros mark Wimpey's entrance into the computer-sales field. They have a storage capacity of 20 megabytes and retail with a printer at £5,450.

One of the drawbacks for software companies dealing with the construction industry has been understanding its diversity, its complexity and at times the idiosyncratic way in which it works.

Richmond Software, a subsidiary of Reed International, launched an "easy-to-use" package for the industry last month. The company employs a consultant who used to be a contractor, therefore it understands more than most the industry's needs. This package, called Cleva Plus, is for pre- and post-contract use and combines the hitherto separate packages of estimating valuing and analysis.

This system has loaded the whole of Laxton's Building Price Book for new and refurbished works on its data base so there is a cost "library". As if that is not enough, the firm's director, Nigel McNaught, displays a canny knowledge of the integral workings of the industry.

"One of the dangers for contractors looking at building price books is that none of them might ever get a contract", he says. "Essentially, our system goes behind the figures".

## Pricing contracts

The package is sold on its ability to allow the estimator to use his own experience when pricing contracts. He can alter the data-base figures up or down to reflect local material price variations and wage rates.

The package also allows the estimator to add his own overall selected profit margin to every rate prior to contract, producing a bill of quantities with undisclosed profits. It also produces valuations and analyses the costs at the close of contract.

Mr McNaught is adamant that the package is not intended to replace estimators. "This is no substitute for knowledge", he says. "The link between the contractor, quantity surveyor and estimator is integral to the system. He provides the post-contract continuity".

For the housebuilder, or the architect designing a house, Redland Construction Software, subsidiary of the Redland Group, produces sets of software programs which claim to cut the time for designing a roof and specifying its materials from about three hours to about 15 minutes.

Alpha 2000 provides timber-frame manufactures with design, costing and manufacturing information. It includes programs to provide structural checks of timber-frame elements of a house and can produce designer's plans, materials and schedules of costs.

Concept 2000 is a suite of programs designed to provide trussed-rafter manufacturers with comprehensive, fast and accurate information from roof quotation to fabrication and stock control.

Gamma 2000, launched at the beginning of last month, is designed to simplify, standardize and speed up the taking off procedure for measuring and pricing quantities of materials needed in houses.

This program, using a sensitized drawing board (digitiser) linked to a computer can take quantities directly from architects' drawings. Delta 2000 estimates and manages roof-tiling contracts for tilers and builders merchants. Zeta 2000, due out at the end of this year completes the set.

Finally, feasibility studies discussing a leap into the fifth generation of computers are being coordinated at the Cambridge-based Construction Industry Computing Association.

In a report due out next month, CICA suggests uses for these programs which could revolutionize this disaster-prone industry by helping to avoid the faults that cause disasters.

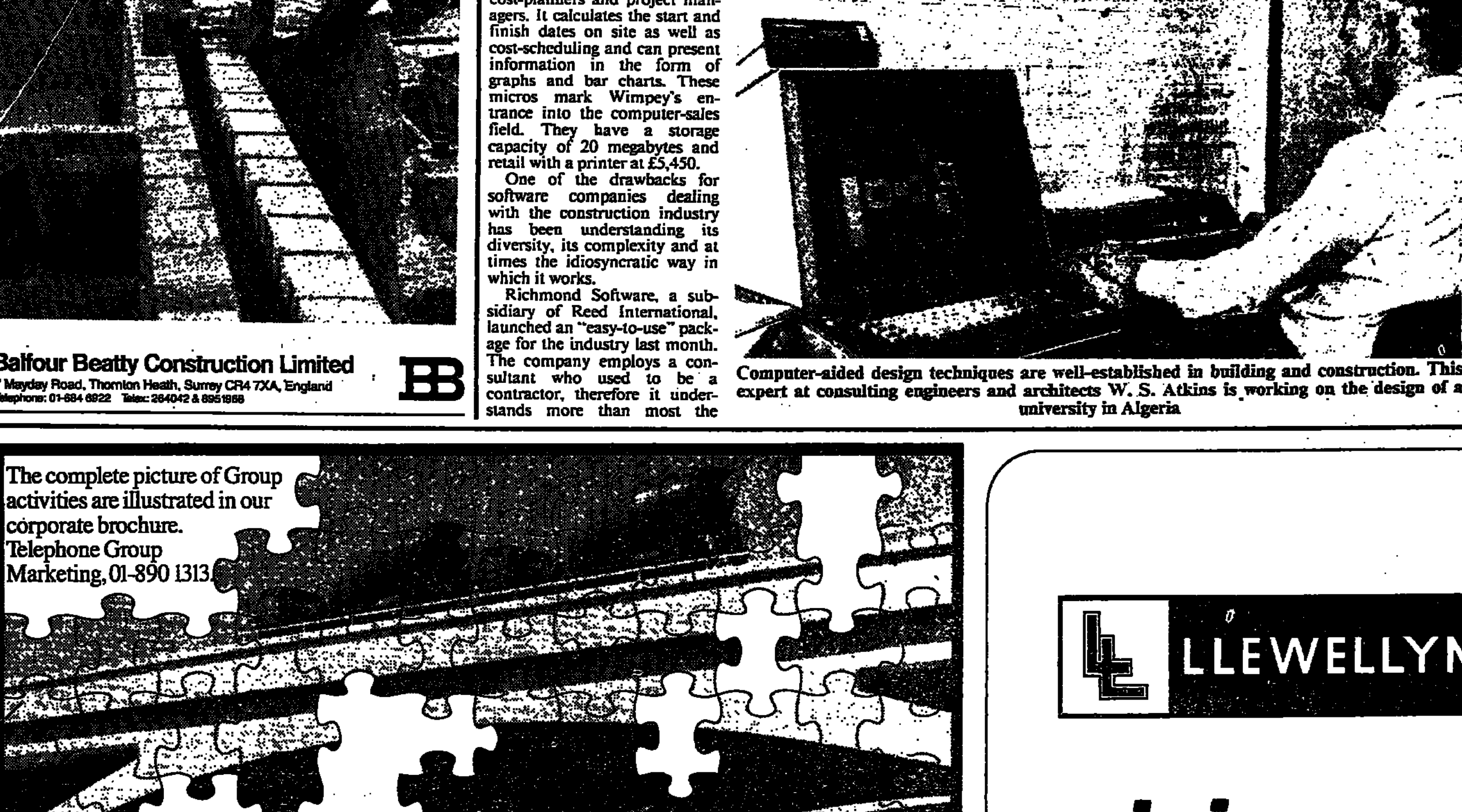
## Expert systems

One of the first programs to be developed, although none is in use, is SACON, for structural engineers to be employed when considering finite element analysis of building structures. Again, the CICA points out that though these programs would be to the benefit of consultants, they would not replace consultants.

"Expert systems are likely to lead to the design office of the future as many offices require the hardware necessary", says Denis Wager, author of the report. "Expert systems could be used to assist a contractor's buying department on matching a sub-contractor's skills to a particular contract or location. Not surmounting the consultant, but helping him".

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*Expert systems and the construction industry report is available from October from the CICA, Guildhall Place, Cambridge CB2 3QQ price £12 to members and £20 to others, postage and packing included for UK only.*

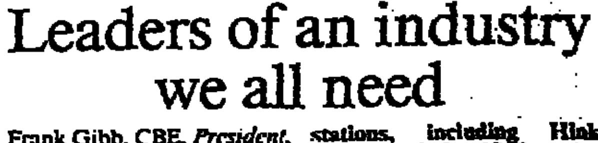


Computer-aided design techniques are well-established in building and construction. This expert at consulting engineers and architects W. S. Atkins is working on the design of a university in Algeria



IN PROFILE

Gibb, left, and Wakefield: nuclear and property aspects



## Leaders of an industry we all need

☐ Frank Gibb, CBE, *President, Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors, joint deputy chairman and joint managing director, Taylor Woodrow and chairman and joint managing director, Taylor Woodrow Construction Ltd.*

Frank Gibb joined Taylor Woodrow Construction in 1948 as an engineer and during his 35 years' service has been involved in major construction works such as thermal and nuclear power stations, industrial plants, tunnels and motorway projects and, in recent years, offshore oil developments.

After working on open-cast coal sites and later the construction of West Ham power station, he went to the first commercial nuclear power station site at Calder Hall. Until 1955 he was an engineer and then site agent on a number of other power stations, including Hinkley Point, and in 1960 was appointed contracts manager for Sizewell nuclear power station.

Later he was the director responsible for Wylfa, Dounreay, Hartlepool and Heysham nuclear power stations. He became chairman of Taylor Woodrow Construction in 1978, and joint managing director of Taylor Woodrow the following year. He is also chairman of Taylor Woodrow Energy, chairman of Taywood-Santa Fe, project engineers for the offshore oil industry and a non-executive director of Taylor Woodrow International.

Mr Gibb has been chairman of the council of the Agrément Board; a part-time chairman of the National Nuclear Corporation; and a member of the construction industry's Group of Eight. He was appointed a CBE in 1982.

☐ Norman Wakefield, *vice-president, The Chartered Institute of Building; chairman and chief executive, Y. J. Lovell (Holdings) plc*

Norman Wakefield began his career with Wates in 1947 as an articled student, progressing through site supervision, contract and general management to become managing director of Wates Construction in 1967. He spent a year in the US in 1956 and in 1970 returned there to set up and run a joint venture company for the next three years.

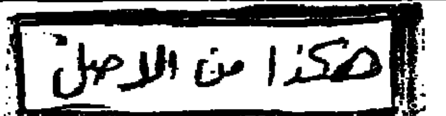
In 1973 he returned to the United Kingdom to become managing director of Holland Hannen and Cubitts, a post he held until joining Lovell in 1977 as chief executive and managing director of the holding company. In 1982 he became deputy chairman and succeeded Sir Peter Trench as chairman last year.

As well as being vice-president of the Chartered Institute of Building he is chairman of its Professional Practice Board. he is also vice-chairman of the National Contractors Group of the Building Employers Confederation, and a member of its executive committee.

He has spoken out in favour of the British Property Federation's proposals for changing responsibilities in the building process.







# The second City: pulling in rich rewards

While the City of London takes most of the credit for Britain's invisible earnings each year, the City of Westminster gets forgotten. But the second city is the home of many of the consultants and contractors responsible for huge overseas projects which reap very rich rewards indeed.

In 1973 UK construction work overseas was worth a total of £239m. By 1982, the last year for which complete figures are available, that had risen to £1,099m, made up from architects and surveyors, £98m; consulting engineers, £565m; and contractors and others, £436m.

We are still enjoying the benefits of an imperial and colonial past, in the relations we have with many countries, notably in the Middle and Far East, and Africa.

Last year three British architectural firms – YRM Partnership, Robert Matthew, Johnson-Marshall & Partners and the Architects Co-Partnership – received the Queen's Award for Export Achievement for the first time. Often they work either for a large British contractor, or with other British consultants.

YRM Partnership's client for th £300m Sultan Qaboos University contract in Oman is Cementation International and the Sultanate. Although the way the contract was awarded to Cementation has been the subject of some controversy, Barry Myers, its managing director, is convinced that it would have gone to a non-UK contractor if not to his own firm.

In Saudi Arabia, RMJM worked with the local firm of CAC in Jeddah as architects and engineers for a series of buildings for Saudi British Banks. The management contractor in each case was Laing Wimpey Alireza, with Haden International and Drake & Skull as mechanical and electrical sub-contractors. Haden International also worked on £9m worth of residential compounds for the bank with RM Douglas as main contractor.

Bovis International, which won a Queen's Award for Export this year, was formed six years ago by combining the group's existing overseas construction and civil engineering division's activities. It now works in nine countries and has nearly 50 projects in hand.

Frank Lampl, managing director, expects to see major growth again this year. Last month it won a further £30m order from Saudi to build two airports; it will act as construction manager to a joint venture between two Saudi firms.

Balfour Beatty and French Kier are two other British contractors with success stories to report overseas, while Teamwork Malaysia, an associated company of the Taylor Woodrow Group, announced a £10m contract to build a new office development in Malaysia only last week.

But it would be wrong to give the impression that working abroad is easy, either for our consultants or contractors. Two of our biggest contractors are currently retrenching abroad, one after record losses on jobs that turned sour.

Two very influential reports which encouraged the construction industry to look abroad for work were *Design and Export*, by the Civil Engineering EDC, in 1978; and Sir Archie Lamb's report for the same organisation in 1982. Among the former's recommendations were the need to reduce pre-construction periods, pool public and private sector resources to win contracts; and increase export activities by the public sector.

Lamb recommended changing the method of pitching for work and changing the financing of projects, as the packaging of this aspect is crucial to the rest. He had only one thing to say as a conclusion: "We must be competitive"

Our rivals abroad tend to offer complete packages, integrating finance, contracting and manufacturing aspects normally handled by different firms. So the general view is that we need to combine our own services and go up-market, technically, in order to compete. Risk assessment has become a major consideration, before any project is given a second glance.

Competition is certainly becoming much tougher, says Major-General Peter Pellereau, secretary of the Association of Consulting Engineers. A poll in last month's issue of the American magazine *Engineering News Record*, showed that Britain was still second only in the world to the US in its export of engineering expertise, and in the lead in some regions.

As for the types of projects most likely to be in demand, energy production, public health infrastructure, and the means of producing food locally seem certain to be in greatest demand. Some projects, such as hydro-electric schemes, often combine several of these functions. Lending agencies are also becoming much more commercial in their approach and dictating what types of work should receive backing.

Perhaps the opportunities are greater for the building rather than the civil engineering contractor abroad over the next few years, and sometimes commissions can come out of the blue.

The Bernard Engle Partnership, for example, architects of the Brent Cross shopping centre, in north-west London, were recently commissioned by the Iceland retail chain, Hagkaup, to design a £15m shopping centre there.

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**Gifts from Islamic communities throughout the world are contained in the London Central Mosque built on the edge of Regents Park, near to Lords cricket ground. The main contractor for the mosque was John Laing Construction**

## IN PROFILE



□ **Sir Peter Trench,** *CBE, chairman, National House-Building Council; director, Y J Lovell (Holdings) PLC.*

Sir Peter Trench is an elder statesman of the construction industry. An economist, he went to London and Cambridge Universities before the war, in which he was a staff officer with Mountbatten and Montgomery. In 1946 he joined Bovis as a trainee, becoming its managing director in 1954 by the age of 36.

In 1959 he became director of the National Federation of Building Trades Employers for five years before joining the board of Lovell, where he succeeded to the chairmanship in 1972. He held this position until 1983, but remains a non-executive director of the principal Lovell board.

For services to the construction industry he was appointed a CBE in 1964 and was knighted in 1979. In 1982 he was elected an honorary fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects for his outstanding contribution to the contruction industry. He was chairman of the Secretary of State's Construction Housing Research Advisory Council for six years and was a member of the 1977 Housing Review Group.

At present chairman of the National House-Building Council and the Royal Society of Arts, he is also vice-president of the Building Centre. He is a director of Nationwide Building Society, Capital and Counties Property Co, Haden Carrier, LEP Transport, The Builder Group, Crendon Concrete, Middle East Building Services and RICS Journals.

He is married with two children, with homes in Kensington and Surrey.

Sir Peter is the first main speaker at the Chartered Institute of Building's international conference, which opens tomorrow and where he will discuss the "state of the industry" in an international context. He says that there is not enough to keep the industry going in this country, which is keeping prices ridiculously low.

This has led to alternative forms of contract being introduced, and builders entering new markets, such as house-building (especially housing for the elderly) and private hospitals, even holding on to the equity after they are built. But only the larger companies can do this.

Middle-sized contractors are getting squeezed, by the large firms competing for middle-range contracts, and by small builders, often not paying value-added ax, and "cowboy" elements taking work away at the other end of the scale.

Abroad, Britain has been eclipsed in the Middle East over the past four or five years, by foreign contractors employing cheap labour from the Far East. He sees China as the next major market, being very receptive to British companies, together with Indonesia and Malaysia.

# All in together

The bond between builders throughout the world is strong and likely to become stronger with the planning of an international confederation of building institutes, led by the British Chartered Institute of Building. The proposed confederation would join together professional institutes who share roots and a passion for promoting management education and training for building.

Not surprisingly, many building institutes are to be found in Commonwealth and former-Commonwealth countries, whose commercial and legal systems follow the British model. On the Continent, the idea of professional bodies examining and controlling their own members has never taken root, but the concept has been a highly successful invisible export for the British economy. Today, professional institutes of building exist in Australia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Singapore and South Africa. In addition, the British CIOB has offshoots in many countries where home-grown institutes may flourish.

One of the CIOB's overseas centres is in Hongkong, which, despite being larger than many an independent institute, retains its close links with the headquarters in Ascot. The 1,500, mostly Chinese, members in Hongkong have a reputation for outperforming many of their western counterparts in examinations.

This concern for educational standards is shared by the Australian and New Zealand institutes with its 2,000-plus members. The Australian Institute of building (AIB), forms an elite among builders.

On the over side of the Pacific, the Americans have watched the work of the CIOB with great interest. In 1971 they formed their own organization – the American Institute of Constructors – with one aim: to introduce professionalism to building. Strongly influenced by the British model, they are introducing membership by examinations and a hierarchical membership structure. The AIC is also joining forces with the small band of CIOB members in Canada to create an organization spanning the North American continent.

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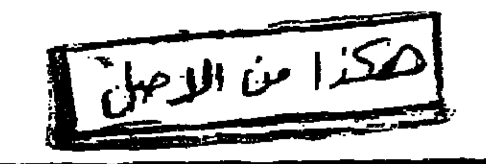
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## FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

**Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet**

# Extraordinary danger facing Fraser chief

Lonrho managed to confine House of Fraser's share price to a rise of 2p yesterday. Such is the perverted logic which now surrounds the feud over House Fraser, that that must be counted a minor achievement of sorts, even by a 29.9 per cent shareholder on the day that Fraser announces a 73 per cent rise in half-year pretax profits to £7.4m, a doubling of earnings per share, and an interim dividend increased from 2.5p to 2.75p.

The reason that Lonrho, despite its substantial shareholding, is not interested in seeing the value of its investment increase is that it would like to increase that investment for the most modest possible outlay. Not to put too fine a point on it, Lonrho would like to acquire House of Fraser lock, stock and barrel. It is prevented from doing so by undertakings it has given to the Department of Trade and Industry. Meanwhile Lonrho is concerned to weight the Fraser board in its favour as far as possible.

That is why, on the day that Fraser published those sparkling figures, Lonrho chose to send out a circular urging other Fraser shareholders to vote against the re-election of Professor Roland Smith, the chairman, and Mr Ernest Sharp, a non-executive director, at the annual meeting of Fraser on Friday week. Accompanying that message was a copy of a telex and a letter written last May by Mr Jack Hayward, a Fraser Shareholder.

The letter should bring a blush to the cheeks of Mr John Griffiths QC, who decided in an exhaustive report last month that Mr Hayward was not acting in concert with Lonrho. Maybe so, but Mr Hayward, a millionaire tax exile, is no ordinary Fraser investor. He seems to spend much of his time trying to fix up meetings between Professor Smith and Mr Tiny Rowland, the chairman of Lonrho, directors of S. G. Warburg, the merchant bank advising Fraser.

"Anything to blur the figures" was Professor Smith's immediate reaction to the Lonrho circular. He is entitled to feel frustrated. Lonrho's prolonged siege is clearly hampering the development of House of Fraser. The board is confined to managing the existing assets. Any sizable acquisition would be blocked by Lonrho. The assets of the company are in fact undergoing a radical transformation, even though the resulting short-term toll on trading profits provides comfort for Mr Rowland. Professor Smith claims that the latest half-year profit could have been as high as £10m, were it not for increased depreciation and interest charges, and the depressing effect of the miners' strike.

The depreciation and interest are the inevitable product of the group's £100m five-year refurbishment programme, of which one year and £15m has been spent. A large proportion has gone into Harrods, the Knightsbridge department store, which Lonrho wants to demerge from Fraser. Seige tactics demanded that Professor Smith acutally play down Harrods' booming profits for fear of playing too much into Lonrho's hands. But, barring a repeat of last December's IRA atrocity outside the store, the inflow of tourists this year should take Harrods' profits well over £20m out of a total of some £45m, against £38m last year.

It would be extraordinary to vote off a chairman and one of his favoured colleagues in such circumstances. Yet that is in real danger of happening, particularly in Mr Sharp's case. Shareholders should make no mistake that every single vote counts on this occasion, and send in their proxies accordingly.

# Accounting for mergers

Some of the mud stirred in the accountancy pool by the projected merger of Price Waterhouse and Deloitte Haskins & Sells, has settled, but none of the profession's seers yet claims to see the bottom. The wider issue is whether other leading firms will feel constrained to follow suit: there is no answer, but these are early days. The narrower issue is the rationale of the decision by two of the Big Eight to take the plunge together: here the patterns beneath the surface are already much clearer.

In the first place, the mergers not a merger: it is a takeover by Price Waterhouse, the stronger strain, of Deloittes. Rightly so, as experience shows that there are no successful mergers, only takeovers. The name of the new firm will be Price Waterhouse Deloitte (poor Haskins and sobered Sells fall off the end of the notepaper). Mr Jeffrey Boman, senior partner of Price Waterhouse, will be senior partner and chief executive of the British firm, and his opposite number in the United States, Mr Joseph Connor, will have the same elevated position there. Mr Michael Coates, a former PW senior partner, will be co-chairman and chief executive of the world firm, with Mr Charles Steel his co-chairman. Mr John Bullock, who has provided most of the drive at Deloittes in recent years and had been chosen tc succeed Mr Eric Meade as senior partner next year, will be Mr Bowman's deputy Mr Meade's retirement. Mr Michael Cook (Deloittes) will be Mr J Connor's deputy.

Thus is the pecking order established, and will no doubt lead to its own problems when the two firms come to rationalizing their structures and disperse and dispose of people. Such decisions, never easy, will be made even more difficult in Britain by the knowledge that the pressures welding the PW and Deloittes together have come overwhelmingly from the United States. There the relatively low positions they occupy in the premier league seems to have bred a genuine fear of relegation. In the non-audit areas, both have been shown to be weak and the thinking, which smacks a little of desperation, but is more understandable in the American context, seems to be that size will overcome weakness.

When the chips are down the American partnerships carry the greater weight. The crucial question for the concentration of the profession is whether other American firms will decide to follow the PW-Deloitte path and lean on their British counterparts. The answer may well turn on whether each suspects the others of being about to move. If the air is suddenly filled with inevitability, mergers with preferred partners may come with the speed of light for fear that they may be lost to others.

Taking the profession as a whole, assuming PW and Deloites are one firm (only governmental interference is likely to stop them) there do not seem to be compelling reasons for more mergers at the top. All are big enough and sufficiently strong internationally to chart and follow successfully their own growth paths. There are undoubtedly some advantages in merging – lower unit costs after pruning, a greater spread of research expenditures for example – but the costs, in management time, distruption, disturbance of career patterns and expectations, and possibly loss of clients, have, so far, outweighed them.

It is worth noting that in Britain certainly it has been the firms putting the emphasis on their internal development as distinct from growth through mergers – Peat Marwick, Coopers, Arthur Andersen – which have made the greater progress. Price Waterhouse should be added to that list. It is PW's decision to change its style and approach that has made most informed accounting eyebrows rise.

# Pound closes at $1.2320 low as dockers' vote halts slide

**By Peter Wilson-Smith, Banking Correspondent**

The pound took a battering on the foreign exchange markets for the second day, running, falling sharply against the surging dollar and other leading currencies. But it bounced back firmly after lunch, helped by news of the dockers' return to work and a turnround in the dollar.

The pound ended the day in London down .95 points at $1.2320 and its trade-weighted value, which had fallen to 76.0 at noon, closed at 76.4 (1975=), showing a loss of 0.6.

However, the pound had slipped again by midday in New York as the dollar turned upwards.

Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, insisted that there was no crisis as he flew out of Britain for the meeting of Commonwealth Finance ministers in Toronto and the International Monetary Fund annual meeting in Washington later.

Mr Lawson refused to comment on whether the Government planned to take any action about the pound or whether the subject would be raised at the IMF meeting.

Official sources continued to stress that the dollar was still largely to blame. The Government takes the view that there is nothing it can do about this and appears to be hoping that the extraordinary rise in the dollar, which scaled new peaks yesterday, will eventually burn itself out.

At one stage the rush to buy dollars became a stampede as speculative money flowed into the US currency pushing it as high as DM3.12 against the Deutsche mark.

It closed in London at DM3.0935 for a gain of 1.8 pfennigs on the day as operators began to take profits.

Reports that a slowing in American economic growth may be revealed by third quarter gross national product figures due on Thursday also contributed to the afternoon turnround in the dollar in London. But foreign exchange dealers are still unconvinced that the rise in the dollar has run its course.

There were signs of nervousness in financial markets yesterday morning when the pound temporarily touched a low against the dollar of $1.2160. But sterling's revival helped to restore a more relaxed mood and government stocks recovered most of their early losses.

Money market interest rates ended the day a notch higher, but financial markets are increasingly convinced that the Government will not push up interest rates to protect sterling, except as a last resort.

The Government believes that there are not domestic grounds for interest rates to rise and that the situation is very different from July when the City was worried about rapid growth in the money supply which has since come back within target.

The Government announced that public sector borrowing last month was £1.53 billion, bringing the total for the first five months of the financial year to £6.6 billion. This compares with a forecast public sector borrowing requirement of £7.25 billion for the whole of 1984-85. The Government still expects to hit its target and has stressed that the bulk of public borrowing will fall in the first half of the year. The City remains sceptical about the £7.25 billion

# £19m sale by BOC

**BOC Group has agreed to sell its 49 per cent stake in BOC-Nowsco, a Canadian supplier of liquid nitrogen for the enhancement of oil recovery, for Can $32.5m (£19.8m).**

**The buyer is the company's majority shareholder, Nowsco Well Service of Calgary. The joint venture was founded in 1973. BOC said it would be making an unspecified profit on the sale which is expected to be completed by the end of this month. BOC-Nowsco was profitable last year.**

### STOCK EXCHANGES

FT-SE 100 Index: 1109.6 up 2.1 (high: 1112.6; low: 1109.3)
FT Index: 858.0 down 1.0
FT Gilts: 79.45 down 0.52
FT All Share: 524.12 down 0.05
Bargains: 18,110
Datastream USM Leaders Index: 102.72 up 0.48
New York: Dow Jones Industrial Average: (latest) 1128.13 down 8.94
Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 10,559.15 down 77.21
Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 974.92 up 11.40

### CURRENCIES

LONDON CLOSE
Sterling
$1.2320 down 95pts
Index 76.4 down 0.6
DM 3.8125 down 0.0075
FrF 11.7025 up 0.0035
Yen 303.45 down 2.35
Dollar
Index 142.7 up 0.6
DM 3.0935 up 0.0180
NEW YORK LATEST
Sterling $1.2250
Dollar DM 3.0977
INTERNATIONAL
ECU £0.590255
SDR £0.795476

### INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates:
Bank base rates 10 1/2
Finance houses base rate 11 1/2
Discount market loans week fixed 10 1/4 - 10
3 month interbank 11 1/16 - 10 15/16
Euro-currency rates:
3 month dollar 11 11/16 - 11 9/16
3 month DM 5 11/16 - 5 9/16
3 month Fr F 11 7/16 – 11 5/16
US rates
Bank prime rate 13.00
Fed funds 11 7/16
Treasury long bond 102 15/32 – 102 19/32 ECGD Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period August 8 to September 4, 1984, inclusive: 10.806 per cent.

### GOLD

London fixed (per ounce):
am $336.50 pm $336.75
close $337.75 - 338.25 (£274.75 - 275.25)
New York (latest): $338.05
Krugerrand* (per coin):
$348 - 349.50 (£283 - 284)
Sovereigns* (new):
$79 - 80 (£64.50 - 65.25)
*Excludes VAT

# Unit trust commission set to rise

**By Richard Thomson**

First-year commissions paid to people who sell unit trust savings plans look set to rise to a maximum of 20 per cent. A speciall general meeting of Unit Trust Association members will vote today to raise commissions paid to intermediates from the present 3 per cent.

The new commission rate will mean that the first thee months' contributions from a new investor will go in fees and management charges.

The move comes after the abolition of life assurance premium relief in the last Budget. the 15 per cent tax relief gave insurance schemes a string competitive advatage over unit trusts. but now the tax position is equal many unit trust companies want to market their schemes more aggressively by paying extra to the brokers who sell them.

After three months of discussion, members of the association, who represent 97 per cent of all unit trust funds under management, are expected to vote for the new maximum commission by a large majority.

However, the new rate is only a guide line and some companies may choose not to pay such high commissions.

In the meantime, net new investment in unit trusts stageda strong recovery during August after July's unusually poor performance. New investment rose 730 per cent to £153.6m as unit sales increased by £111m to £241m and repurchases fell by £24m to £88m from July's figures.

# Governor warns City of wider checks

**By William Kay, City Editor**

Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, the Governor of the Bank of England, gave a warning yesterday that every paticipant in the securities industry in future will be subject to continuous scrutiny to ensure that it has enough capital to handle the business it takes on its books.

He told the National Association of Securities Dealers and Investment Managers: "Functions such as broking and investment management are people-intensive rather than capital-intensive; but other functions such as block-trading and market-making, which many more firms are likely to perform in the future, require a much greater capital commitment."

"The securities regulator will need to ensure that the capital that is available to a firm is continuously sufficient in relation to the scale and nature of the business."

This type of regular monitoring is already carried out by the Stock Exchange and the Bank of England itself. Mr Leigh-Pemberton's words suggest that it will have to spread to other areas of the City.

● As Mr Leigh-Pemberton was speaking, another piece of the City jigsaw fell into place. E B Savory Milin & Co. the stockbroker, is to sell 29.9 per cent of its equity to Dow Scandia Holdings, which is 52 per cent owned by the US-based Dow Chemical. The other 48 per cent is held equally by Sundsvallsbanken of Sweden, the Bank of Helsinki from Finland, and Norway's Forretningsbanken.

Dow Scandia established a presence in the City three years ago when it took over Arbuthnot Latham, the merchant bank. When Stock Exchange rules permit, Dow will buy 100 per cent of Savory Milin.

# Rothmans plans US expansion

**By Jeremy Warner**

A wide range of Rothmans International cigarette brands are to be manufactured and marketed in the United States by Philip Morris, the American tobacco group, under a licensing agreement which is expected to be signed shortly.

Philip Morris, which has a share stake in Rothmans giving it just under 25 per cent of the votes, already dominates the US cigarette market with its Marlboro brand.

Marlboro overtook Winston, which is marketed by R J Reynolds, last year as the biggest selling cigarette in the US market.

Rothmans has hardly any presence in the US. In Europe, the group sells under such names as Dunhill, and Peter Stuyvesant as well as Rothmans.

The impending licensing deal was confirmed by Rothmans chief executive, Mr Veron Brink, after the company's annual meeting in London yesterday.

Earlier, the group's chairman, Sir David Nicolson, told shareholders that while the company continued to investigate possibilities for expanding its interests in other areas, tobacco remained the mainstay of the business.

Yoko Ono: A surprise in the richest list

Gordon Peter Getty: The wealthiest American of all

Michael Jackson: On the verge of joining the list

# A Getty is America's richest man

**The richest American is Mr Gordon Petty Getty, the op; magnate, who has a net worth estimated conservatively at $4.1 billion (£3.3billion) according to a survey by Forbes Magazine**

**The magazine's annual survey of the 400 wealthiest Americans includes Yoko Ono, widow of the ex-beatle Mr John Lennon, and Mr Sam Moore Walton, a businessman from Bentonville, Arkansas, who is the second richest american with a net worth estimated at $2.3billion. Mr Walton built a small variety store into the Wal-Mart discount store chain.**

**There were 12 billionaires on this years list of the wealthy elite, including 10 men and two women, both of whom are members of the Hunt oil family of Dallas, Texas.**

**The survey revealed that america's wealthiest individuals are concentrated in five states: New York, with 83 multi-millionaires, Califonia, 53, Texas, 52, Florida and Pennsylvania, 20 each.**

**Mr Michael Jackson, the pop star, failed to make this year's list but was mentioned as an "up-and-comer" with a fortune estimated at $70m.**

**Mr Bob Hope, the comedian, was dropped from the list this year along with 44 others. The magazine said that Mr Hope's complaint that his net worth had been overestimated turned out to true.**

**Mr Hope is just another centimillionaire, worth only $115m. $35m less than the poorest on the top 400 list, Forbes said.**

# Panel to judge on Glanfield share purchase

**By Our City Staff**

The City Takeover Panel is to pass judgement shortly on allegations of serious breaches of the Takeover Code made by Glanfield Lawrence, the motor distributor, and its financial advisor, Samuel Montagu.

Two men stand accused: Mr Christopher Selmes for allegedly heading a concert party accounting for 42 per cent of Glanfield Lawrence's share capital; and Mr Jim Gregory, for later buying the 42 per cent

He is better known as chairman of Queen's Park rangers Football club.

The 42 per cent was sold to Mr Jim Gregory's Gregory Securities.

Takeover rules forbid the purchase of more than 15 per cent of a company initially from more than one seller.

One of the two accused had to be in the wrong and because of the difficulty of providing a concert party exists, the Panel is likely to find that it is Mr Gregory.

# Bank deposits fall

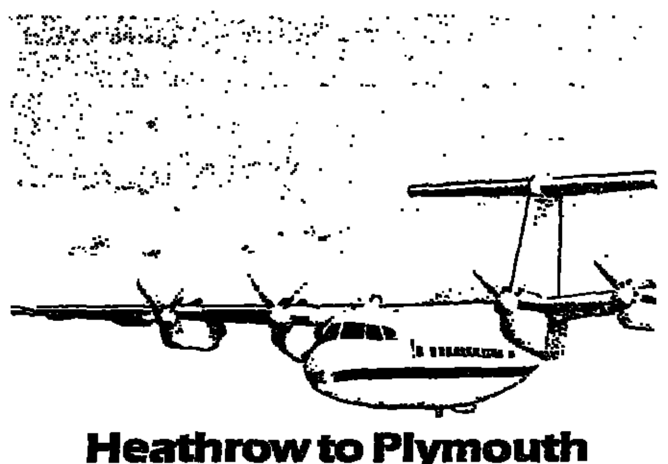
**By Alison Eadie**

Deposits held by private banks on the Isle of Man fell by 20.1 per cent to £66.5m in the three months ending June 1984, indicating that public confidence has been knocked by the failures of Manx banks, including the crash of the Savings and Investment Bank in 1982.

A report ordered by the Isle of Man courts into SIB is expected to be critical of the island's regulatory authorities. Regulations have been tightened recently with new standard licence conditions and guidance notes for deposit takers coming into force on July 1.

Overall confidence in the Isle of Man appears unshaken, however. Deposits held by all licensed banks rose by £300m, or 20.7 per cent, to £1.82 billion in the three months against the same period of 1983.

The greatest stride was made by foreign banks up 62.6 per cent at £296m. Foreign banks include the Bank of Credit and Commerce International and Habib Bank, but none of the big American banks. They now account for 16.2 per cent of total deposits.





**NEWS IN BRIEF**

# Chile cuts peso rate

● CHILE has introduced measures including a 19 per cent devaluation of the official Chilean peso rate against the dollar to offset the impact of high interest rates and the low price of copper, the country's main export.

The official exchange rate is being cut from 93 to 115 pesos to the dollar.

● ROWNTREE MACKINTOSH, the chocolate manufacturer which has been the subject of continuing bid rumours, has appointed Sir George Wilkins as a non-executive director. He is deputy chairman of Thorn EMI, a director of Courtaulds and a director of Hill Samuel.

● CONSOLIDATED GOLD Fields, the British mining finance and industrial group, raised pretax profits by 17 per cent to £105m in the year to June 30. The dividend was maintained at 24.5p net for the fourth successive year.

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● FISONS, the pharmaceuticals to horticultural group, has increased pretax profits for the six months to June 30 to £22.6m up from £13.4m.

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# US cabinet discusses steel curbs

**From Bailey Morris, Washington**

President Reagan held an urgent cabinet meeting yesterday to review his options in responding to the domestic steel industry's election-year demand for unprecedented across-the-board quotas on imports from Europe and the Third World.

Mr Reagan must take a decision by the Saturday deadline on a demand by the domestic industry that imports be limited to 15 per cent of the American market, a level which would force sharp cutbacks in shipments from European producers and others.

The Reagan cabinet is sharply divided between the free-traders and the political pragmatists over the amount of trade protection to grant American producers, sources said.

Meanwhile, Administration officials are expected to meet soon with Chinese government representatives to discuss the new country-of-origin rule on US textile imports, a Reagan Administration official told Reuters.

# Clyde profits double

Clyde Petroluem, the oil and gas exploration and production company which took over Wytch Farm, pushed pretax profits up from £2.03m to £4.87m during the half year to June 30.

The figures include a full six months' production from the North Sea Buchann field and Wytch Farm from its acquisition in May.

But Clyde said that operating profits of £5.07m will not be maintained in the second half because the Buchan field will be closed down in ctober.

No dividend is declared, but the shares gained 5p to 113p.

## In brief

● **COMBINED TECHNOLOGY CORP:** Six months to June 30. (Figures in £000). Turnover 53,718 (51,598) Pretax loss 1611 (857) No tax (nil). Minority interest 539 (174). Loss attributable to Comtech 67 (loss 361). Loss per share 0.1p (0.5p).

● **THE BRITISH BANK OF THE MIDDLE EAST** has announced that 14 of the 18 branches which comprise the bank's network in Oman will be acquired by the Oman International Bank.

● **LONDON INVESTMENT TRUST** has exchanged a conditional contract for the acquisition of Rialcor for an initial consideration of about $1.25m, with up to a further $2.15m payable dependent upon the achievement of certain levels of profit in the years to March 31 1986 and 1987.

● **RAMCO OIL SERVICES** and Carlson Reserve Corporation have formed a UK joint venture called Ramco Carlson Pipeline Services to market specialized services to the pipeline industry.

● **DEBORAH SERVICES:** Final 3.34p making 4.55p (4.235p) for the year to March 31. Turnover £32,545,249 (£28,503,931). Pretax profit £1,011,955 (£85,827). Tax £189,396 (credit £11,570). Earning per share 10.55p (1.45p).

● **BREEDON & CLOUD HILL LIMEWORKS:** Interim dividend 2.4p (same). Figs in £000. T/over 2,078 (2,539) for half-year to July 31. Pretax profits 663 (888), including profits from sale of non-trading assets, proceeds from which have been re-invested, 76 (145). Tax 274 (417). EPS 6.41p (7.76p).

● **G. W. SPARROW & SONS:** Interim dividend 0.5p (0.5p). Final will depend on the results of the second half. Figs in £000. T/over 14,978 (14,567) for first half of 1984. Pretax profit 262 (581).

● **TOR INVESTMENTS TRUST:** dividend 7.7p (7p) on income shares, making 11.55p (10.5), and div. 1.155p (1.05) on capital shares for year to July 31. Net revenue £543,568 (£512,415), after all charges, including tax of £273,394 (£288,109).

● **LYON & LYON:** Interim 1.5 (same). Figures in £000. T/over 5,418 (6,130) for half-year to June 30. Operating profit 176 (169). Investment income 31 (29). Bank overdraft interest debits .47 (53). Pretax profit 160 (144).

● **G T JAPAN INVESTMENT TRUST:** Year to June 30. Total dividend 1.5p (1.1p, adjusted for scrip issue). Figures in £000. Income from investments 1,608 (1,171). Other income: Deposits and loan interest 70 (74), profit on dealings in investment by a subsidiary 188 (304). Pretax profit 845 (563) after management expenses 397 (242) and interest payable 624 (745). Tax 438 (294). Earnings per ordinary share, diluted 1.56p (1.12p); undiluted, 1.6p (1.07p).

● **FAIREY HOLDINGS,** the engineering sector of Pearson, is to purchase Ate Systems, which manufactures the Beaver range of standard automatic testing equipment which is used by the electronic manufacturing industry at home and abroad. The purchase price will be between £2.5m and £3.7m cash, depending on profits earned between 1984 and 1986.

● **PARAMBE:** Contracts have been exchanged for the sale of Parambe's freehold property investment at Ashton-Under-Lyne for £115,000 cash, before expenses. The property was purchased in 1980 for £38,373 and is carried in the company's books at £82,500.

● **FORMINSTER:** Business is expected to continue at a similar level of activity as last year, the directors say in their annual report.

● **HENRY ANSBACHER HOLDINGS:** Henry Ansbacher Holdings has acquired the New York investment banking firm, Laidlaw Adams and Peck on undisclosed terms.

# TV hits Barratt for £15m

Pretax profits of Barratt Developments slumped from £50.3m to £35.6m for the year to June 30 as house sales were hit by adverse publicity in two television programmes.

Sir Lawrie Barratt had expected his company to complete 18,000 sales in the United Kingdom during the year but only 13,700 were achieved, down from 16,500 in the previous year. Fears about the safety of timber-frame constructions and worries among first-time buyers about the resale of their homes, generated by the television programmes, were blamed for the downturn.

The proportion of first-time buyers of Barratt homes has fallen from 75 per cent to 68 per cent and this could fall to 60 per cent in the current year.

Average house prices in the United Kingdom increased by 8 per cent to £29,000 and this coupled with a good performance in the US contributed to an increase in turnover to £537.6m from £512.9m.

The company has maintained its final dividend on 5.31p to make a total of 7.6p for the year against 7.41p last time.

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## COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

● ALFRED WALKER: Dividend 0.75p (same), as forecast for year to April 30. (Figures in £000). Turnover 1,111 (919). Gross profit 164 (132). Operating loss 16 (28). Operating profit 11 (54). Interest payable 7 (3). Pretax profit 4 (51). Tax 6 (nil). Shares 70 down 8.

● GARTON ENGINEERING: Six months to June 30. Interim 1p (same). (Figures in £000): Turnover 6,167 (5,462). Trading profit 354 (187). Interest payable 96 (109). Pretax profit 258 (78). Tax 73 (nil). Extraordinary debit 83 (nil). Earnings per share 2.77p (2.12p). Shares unchanged at 62.

● BRIXTON ESTATE: Six months to June 30. Interim 2.1p. 10.5 per cent increase (Figures in £000). Income – net rental 8,178 (7,245) and other 13 (13). Interest on development properties 3,033 (2,063). Shares unchanged at 132.

● MANSON FINANCE TRUST: Final 0.5 making 1p (same on old cap) for year to June 30. (Figures in £000). Group profit before tax 961 (273). Tax 323 (54). Minorities 5 (2). Shares 26 up 1.

● GEORGE H. SCHOLES: Final 1p making 18p (17p) for year to June 30. (Figures in £000). Group turnover 24,229 (22,759). Pretax profit 4,716 (4,628). Tax 2,093 (2,130). Extraordinary credit 346 (nil). Shares 330 up 7.

● PITTARD GROUP: Six months to June 30. Interim 1.45p (1.375p). (Figures in £000). Turnover 16,677 (11,726). Trading profit 1,423 (810). Pretax profit 1,037 (453) after depreciation 137 (133) and interest 249 (224). Tax 223 (50). Earnings per share 10.06 (5p). Shares 93 up 7.

● LLOYDS AND SCOTTISH: The offer by Lloyds Bank for all the shares of Lloyds and Scottish has become unconditional and is being extended until further notice. Lloyds Bank now owns or controls about 99.9 per cent of Lloyds and Scottish.

● BR. SYPHON INDUSTRIES: Six months to June 30. Inderim dividend 1.25p (nil). Figures in £000). Sales 11,834 (10,861). Operating profit 827 (394). Interest 214 (308). Pretax profit 613 (86). Tax 66 (nil). Shares 65 down 1.

● PRITCHARD SERVICES GROUP: Twenty-six weeks to July 1. Interim 1.1p (1p). Figures in £000. Turnover 192,138 (160,013). Operating profits 9,633 (8,430) after interest 2,349 (2,190). Tax 2,185 (2,446). Minorities 250 (272). Earnings per share 4.26p (3.54p). Shares 110 up 1½.

● STAG FURNITURE HLDGS: Twenty-six weeks to June 29. Interim dividend 1.75p (same). Figures in £000. Sales 19,572 (18,960). Pretax profit 361 (1,035). Tax 153 (470). Earnings per ordinary share 1p (5.6p). Shares 70 down 6.

● INTEREUROPE TECHNOLOGY SERVICES: Final 3.29p making 4.83p (4.2p) for year to June 30.
Figures in £000. Turnover 7,750 (6,124). Gross profit 3,188 (2,417). Interest receivable and similar income 88 (68). Pretax profit 1,348 (873). Tax 579 (409). Extraordinary loss nil (84). Earning per share 15.38p (9.28p).

● BERNARD MATTHEWS: For 28 weeks to July 15. Interim 2.5p (same).
Figures in £000. Sales 44,702 (36,448). Pretax profit 1,021 (2,824) after interest 914 (521). Tax 204 (282). Earnings per share 5.11p (15.89p).

● UNITED RUM MERCHANTS, a subsidiary within the Allied-Lyons Group, has purchased the old-established rum company, Robert Watson (Aberdeen). The purchase is a straight cash consideration.

● INVERGORDON has acquired, for £232,500 cash, the whole share capital of Ronald Morrison and Co, proprietors of the Scotch whisky liqueur glavva.

● CHAMBERS AND FARGUS: Year to June 30. Turnover £18.94m (£10.3m). Pretax profit £96,000 (£102,000). Total dividend 1.0p (0.75p).

● PHOENIX PROPERTIES AND FINANCE: Negotiations to acquire the 50 per cent of Kane Investments which Phoenix does not already own from Mr A. A. Loxton-Peacock and CIM Services (a company controlled by Mr C. Galliford) have been concluded. A conditional agreement has been signed. Mr Loxton-Peacock and Mr Galliford, who are directors of Phoenix, will resign from the board on completion of the acquisition. The agreement provides for the purchase at par by Phoenix of 10,000 shares of £1 each in Kane, payment being deferred until after Kane's only substantial asset, its interest in land at Swindon, has been realized.

● BARR AND WALLACE ARNOLD TRUST: seven months to July 31. Turnover £72m (£70m). Pretax profit £694,000 (£596,000).

Since the last balance sheet (Dec 31, 1983), the group has cut its borrowings by more than £3m. The year's results should be similar to last time.

● SWEDISH MATCH is to acquire a "significant shareholding" in Strongpack, a packaging company in Thailand. Strongpack has about 225 employees.

● MEAT TRADE SUPPLIERS: Mr W C Anstis, the chairman, reports in his annual statement that he is unable to be too confident about profits for year to March, 1985 because of "artifically high meat prices on meat and sausage consumption". Turnover, in common with most other Smithfield operators, was down for the group's meant subsidiary for 1983 and this company made a loss.

● PIRELLI: Year to June 30, compared with previous 14 months. Net profit 32.7bn lire (£14m), against 21.1bn lire. Dividend 90 lire on ordinary shares and 110 lire on savings shares (both unchanged). Pirelli reports a marked improvement in all three areas of activity, including tyres, cables and diversified rubber-based products. All companies in the tyres sector had broken even in first half of 1984, while in the cables sector the results over the same period were described as satisfying. But activities in the diversified products sector, heavily concentrated in Italy, were still making losses, despite a marked improvement in performance.

## INVESTMENT TRUSTS

| 1984 High | 1984 Low | Company | Price | | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 143 | 119 | Aberdeen | 142 | | .. | 6.9 | 4.8 | .. |
| 80 | 66 | Alisa | 80 | ● | .. | 1.9 | 2.3 | .. |
| 545 | 438 | Alliance | 545 | ● | +2 | 20.7 | 3.8 | .. |
| 109 | 88½ | Amer | 106 | ● | .. | 3.6 | 3.4 | |
| 258 | 218 | Ang Amer Sec | 244 | | −2 | 7.6 | 3.1 | |
| 70 | 53½ | Ang Inv | 65 | ● | .. | 10.0 | 15.4 | .. |
| 600 | 384 | Ang Int Ass | 543 | | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 151 | 115 | Ang Scot | 151 | | .. | 3.9 | 2.6 | .. |
| 386 | 310 | Ashdown | 386 | | .. | 10.3 | 2.8 | .. |
| 141 | 96 | Atlanta | 102 | | .. | 1.5 | 1.5 | .. |
| 101 | 75 | Atlantic Assets | 90 | ● | +1 | 0.7 | 0.8 | .. |
| 77 | 67 | Bankers | 77 | | +1 | 3.0b | 3.9 | .. |
| 166 | 130 | Berry | 165 | | +1 | 1.4 | 0.8 | .. |
| 147 | 117 | Border & Sthrn | 146 | | −1 | 4.5 | 3.1 | .. |
| 91 | 79 | Br Amer Gen | 91 | ● | +1 | 3.7 | 4.1 | .. |
| 176 | 140½ | Br Assets | 176 | ● | +1 | 8.4b | 4.8 | .. |
| 29 | 20½ | Br Empire Sec | 25½ | | .. | 1.3 | 5.1 | .. |
| 315 | 261 | British Inv | 315 | | .. | 16.7 | 5.3 | .. |
| 66 | 55 | Brunner | 64 | | .. | 2.7b | 4.2 | .. |
| 19 | 7½ | Camellia | £17 | | .. | 12.8 | 0.8 | .. |
| 70 | 60 | Charter Agency | 70 | | .. | 3.0b | 4.3 | .. |
| 475 | 416 | Continental | 475 | | .. | 24.3 | 5.1 | .. |
| 171 | 125 | Crescent Japan | 151 | | .. | 0.4 | 0.3 | .. |
| 365 | 275 | Delta | 355 | | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 94 | 80 | Derby Inc | 92 | | . | 9.5 | 10.3 | .. |
| 90 | 80 | Do Cap | 90 | s | | | | |
| 267 | 241 | Drayton Cons | 268 | | . | 12.1 | 4.5 | |
| 137 | 86 | Drayton Far East | 103 | | −2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | |
| 398 | 292 | Drayton Japan | 340 | | .. | 1.4 | 0.4 | .. |
| 348 | 296 | Drayton Premier | 340 | | .. | 16.4 | 4.8 | .. |
| 163 | 140 | Dundee Lon | 163 | | .. | 6.2 | 3.8 | .. |
| 203 | 146 | Edin Amer Asset | 190 | | +2 | 1.2 | 0.6 | .. |
| 109 | 87 | Edinburgh | 97 | | .. | 3.6 | 3.7 | .. |
| 242 | 210 | Electric Gen | 241 | | .. | 4.5 | 1.9 | .. |
| 222 | 182 | English Int | 212 | ● | .. | 8.9 | 4.2 | .. |
| 64 | 52 | English Scot | 62 | ● | .. | 1.6b | 2.6 | .. |
| 90 | 69 | English NY | 90 | ● | .. | 3.3 | 3.7 | .. |
| 84 | 69 | F & C Alliance | 82 | | −1 | 2.3 | 2.8 | .. |
| 167 | 117 | F&C Pacific | 142 | s | .. | 5.0b | 3.5 | .. |
| 189 | 162 | Family | 174 | ● | .. | 9.4 | 5.4 | .. |
| 227 | 194 | First Scot Amer | 227 | ● | .. | 8.6b | 3.8 | .. |
| 245 | 178 | First Un Gen | 185 | ● | .. | 8.7 | 4.7 | .. |
| 432 | 342 | Fleming American | 432 | | .. | 6.1 | 1.4 | .. |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 225 | 185 | Fleming Claver | 212 | | .. | 11.1 | 5.2 | .. |
| 224 | 180 | Fleming Enterprise | 213 | ● | +1 | 10.4 | 4.9 | .. |
| 315 | 228 | Fleming Far East | 270 | | −2 | 2.9 | 1.1 | .. |
| 518 | 390 | Fleming Japan | 480 | | −6 | 4.3 | 0.9 | .. |
| 107 | 90 | Fleming Mercantile | 102 | ● | −1 | 4.0 | 3.9 | .. |
| 304 | 246 | Fleming Overseas | 300 | | .. | 10.0 | 3.3 | .. |
| 150 | 119½ | Fleming Tech | 140 | | +1 | 3.1 | 2.2 | .. |
| 254 | 215 | Fleming Universal | 253 | | .. | 9.6 | 3.8 | .. |
| 120 | 99 | For Col | 119 | ● | −1 | 3.6b | 3.0 | .. |
| 108 | 82 | Frost (JJ & D) | 82 | | −4 | 4.0 | 4.9 | .. |
| 175 | 120 | GT Japan | 149 | | +1 | 2.0 | 1.3 | .. |
| 498 | 433 | General Funds | 498 | | .. | 12.8 | 2.6 | .. |
| 210 | 184 | General Cons | 210 | | .. | 12.0 | 5.7 | .. |
| 101 | 77 | Glasgow Stock | 101 | | +1 | 2.6 | 2.6 | .. |
| 247 | 197 | Globe | 232 | ● | −1 | 12.8 | 5.5 | .. |
| 215 | 176 | Greenfriar | 192 | | −2 | 1.9 | 1.0 | .. |
| 220 | 187½ | Gresham House | 190 | | . | 5.7 | 3.0 | .. |
| 135 | 114 | Hambros | 135 | | +1 | 5.3 | 3.9 | . |
| 220 | 187 | Hill (P) | 220 | | | 11.8 | 5.4 | |
| 466 | 330 | Invest-in Success | 443 | ● | | 7.6 | 1.7 | |
| 194 | 162 | Inv Cap | 193 | | | 5.1 | 2.7 | |
| 61½ | 43 | Japan Assets Keep | 56½ | | −1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | .. |
| 287 | 215 | Lake View | 256 | | −1 | 6.3 | 2.5 | .. |
| 152 | 130 | Law Debenture | 152 | ● | .. | 7.1b | 4.7 | .. |
| 83 | 64 | Lon Merchant Sec | 76 | ● | +1 | 2.6 | 3.5 | .. |
| 260 | 190 | Lon Prudential | 260 | | +4 | 8.3 | 3.2 | .. |
| 92 | 71 | Lon Trust | 87 | | | 3.9 | 4.5 | . |
| 87 | 70 | Merchants | 83 | ● | | 4.0b | 4.8 | |
| 141 | 121 | Monks | 138 | | | 3.4 | 2.5 | |
| 100½ | 85 | Murray Income | 98 | ● | −1 | 6.4 | 6.6 | |
| 81 | 67 | Murray Growth | 81 | | .. | | | |
| 106 | 86 | Murray Intl | 106 | | .. | | | .. |
| 158 | 122 | Murray Small | 142 | | −1 | 3.3 | 2.3 | . |
| 280 | 225 | Murray Venture | 241 | ● | −1 | 6.3b | 2.8 | .. |
| 345 | 303 | New Court | 323 | | .. | 19.6 | 6.1 | .. |
| 73 | 58 | New Darien Oil | 67 | | .. | 0.4e | 0.6 | .. |
| 170 | 139 | 1928 | 158 | ● | .. | 7.9 | 5.0 | .. |
| 43 | 34 | Nwthrog Inc 83 | 36½ | | .. | 3.2 | 8.8 | .. |
| 342 | 258 | New Tokyo | 311 | | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 274 | 222 | Nth Atlantic Sec | 254 | | .. | 4.3 | 1.7 | .. |
| 138 | 108 | Nth Sea Assets | 125 | | .. | 4.3 | 3.4 | .. |
| 238 | 208 | Nthn Amer | 239 | | +2 | 7.7 | 3.2 | .. |
| 117 | 97 | Outwich | 115 | | .. | 3.7 | 3.2 | .. |

| 1984 High | 1984 Low | Company | Price | | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 36 | 24 | Personal Assets | 31 | | .. | 0.6 | 1.8 | .. |
| 278 | 243 | Raeburn | 278 | | .. | 12.0 | 4.3 | .. |
| 112 | 93 | River & Merc | 110 | ● | .. | 6.4 | 5.8 | .. |
| 184 | 158 | River Plate | 181 | | .. | 9.3b | 5.1 | . |
| 159½ | 138 | Robeco | 157 | | +2 | .. | .. | .. |
| 152½ | 127 | Rolinco | 150 | | +3 | .. | .. | .. |
| 219 | 185 | Romney | 218 | | . | 6.3 | 2.9 | .. |
| 48½ | 44½ | Rorento | £48½ | | +1½ | | | .. |
| 270 | 237 | St Andrews | 270 | ● | +5 | 10.0 | 3.7 | .. |
| 233 | 181 | Scottish | 230 | | +1 | 6.7 | 2.9 | .. |
| 208 | 174 | Scot American | 202 | ● | .. | 7.2 | 3.6 | .. |
| 138 | 117 | Scot Eastern | 133 | ● | . | 5.0 | 3.8 | .. |
| 321 | 270 | Scot Mtgs | 321 | | +2 | 9.1 | 2.8 | .. |
| 197 | 166 | Scot Nat | 197 | | . | 5.7 | 2.9 | .. |
| 117 | 92½ | Scot Nthn | 112 | ● | +1 | 4.7 | 4.2 | .. |
| 320 | 285 | Scot Merc 'A' | 320 | | . | 11.0 | 3.4 | .. |
| 484 | 384 | Second Alliance | 484 | ● | .. | 17.9 | 3.7 | .. |
| 103 | 84 | Sec Of Scotland | 97 | | . | 4.6 | 4.7 | .. |
| 66 | 61 | Smaller Cos | 58 | | | | | |
| 38 | 32½ | Stewart Enterp | 37 | | −1 | 0.6 | 1.5 | .. |
| 115 | 93 | Stockholders | 115 | | +2 | 2.9 | 2.5 | . |
| 111 | 75 | Tr Australia | 99 | | −1 | 2.8 | 2.9 | .. |
| 73 | 59 | Tr City Of Lon Dfd | 70 | | . | 4.4b | 6.3 | .. |
| 139 | 121 | Tr Ind & Gen | 125 | | . | 4.5 | 3.3 | .. |
| 280 | 201 | Tr Natural Res | 223 | | +2 | 10.7 | 4.8 | .. |
| 176 | 130 | Tr North America | 170 | | +1 | 4.9 | 2.9 | .. |
| 273 | 192 | Tr Pacific Basin | 236 | | −1 | 2.9 | 1.2 | .. |
| 131 | 107 | Tr Property | 130 | | . | 4.5 | 3.5 | .. |
| 83 | 69 | Tr Tech | 82 | | .. | 2.4 | 2.9 | .. |
| 117 | 96 | Tr Trustees | 116 | | | 4.9 | 4.2 | .. |
| 102 | 85 | Temple Bar | 98 | ● | .. | 6.2b | 6.3 | .. |
| 197 | 160 | Throgmorton | 182 | | | 8.3 | 4.9 | .. |
| 270 | 211 | Throg Secured Cap | 270 | | +2 | | | .. |
| 149 | 123 | Trans Oceanic | 143 | | .. | 4.3 | 3.0 | .. |
| 95 | 80 | Tribune | 94 | | .. | 2.8 | 2.9 | . |
| 81 | 67½ | Triplevest Inc | 78 | | .. | 11.4 | 14.6 | .. |
| 182 | 153 | US Debenture | 172 | ● | .. | 9.3 | 5.4 | .. |
| 95 | 75 | Viking Resource | 82 | | −1 | 1.4 | 1.7 | .. |
| 76 | 53 | Westpool | 68 | ● | .. | 2.0 | 2.9 | .. |
| 93 | 80 | Winterbottom Enrgy | 85 | ● | .. | 1.0 | 1.2 | .. |
| 135 | 108½ | Witan | 128 | | .. | 3.6 | 2.8 | .. |
| 233 | 207 | Yeoman | 233 | | .. | 11.7 | 5.0 | .. |

## ECONOMIC COMMENTARY

# Rewards of investing abroad

### Why Hattersley plan for exchange controls would be bad for the British economy

By Tim Congdon

**Britain's capital gain on overseas portfolio investment, 1979-83**
All figures in £m

| | End 1979 | End 1983 | Change between 1979 and 1983 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Private sector portfolio assets abroad | 12,000 | 57,700 | |
| Private sector portfolio liabilities abroad | 4,530 | 9,600 | |
| Net portfolio position | 7,470 | 48,100 | +40,630 |
| | Cumulative, 1980-83 | | |
| Net issues of overseas securities in UK | + 1,446 | | |
| UK purchases of overseas securities | +25,922 | | |
| Overseas purchases of UK securities | − 4,023 | | |
| Net additions, due to transactions, to UK's overseas portfolio | +23,345 | | −23,345 |
| Net capital gain, end 1979 to end 1983 | | | +17,285 |

Source: June 1984 *Bank of England Quarterly Bulletin*.

In the last five years Britain has accomplished one of the most spectacular investment coups in history.

Following the removal of exchange controls in October 1979, its citizens have bought foreign bonds and securities on a large scale. The timing and direction of these purchases have been so astute that the capital gains may already amount to about £15 billion.

The evidence is contained in the *Bank of England Quarterly Bulletin* and is brought together in the accompanying table. Although the *Bulletin* says some of the numbers are "very rough", capital gains on the whole portfolio over the four years to 1983 seem to have been more than £17 billion and only part of this can be attributable to assets bought before the end of 1979.

The gains may appear gratifyingly large, but they are not surprising. Heavy acquisition of foreign securities began in 1980 and 1981 when sterling was at record highs on the exchanges and overseas stock markets were depressed. The pound's subsequent slide and the world-wide stock market boom from August 1982 are responsible for the extent of the capital appreciation.

The emergence of a £50 billion nest-egg of foreign assets should surely be a matter for national self-satisfaction or even self-congratulation. Mr Roy Hattersley, the Shadow Chancellor, has different ideas. He has said that in November the Labour Party will publish a statement proposing a "water-tight scheme" of exchange controls.

His remarks, at a press conference last week, clearly imply that the abolition of exchange controls would have made the outflow of portfolio capital, and the welcome capital gains now achieved, impossible.

Suppose that Mr Hattersley has been Chancellor of the Exchequer since 1979 and that exchange controls had remained. What would have happened to the £20 billion invested in foreign securities by the private sector over the last four years?

What compensation would Mr Hattersley offer the nation for the £15 billion of capital gains which, under his dispensation, we would have missed?

The chance to accumulate a substantial hoard of overseas assets arose because of North Sea oil Tax revenues. These lowered the public sector borrowing requirement, and, therefore, the level of official gilt sales needed to achieve money supply targets. The institutional cash that would have gone into gilt-edged securities instead became available for overseas portfolio investment.

If Mr Hattersley had been Chancellor, he could have used the North Sea revenues either to reduce the PSBR or for extra public spending. In the presence of exchange controls, a lower PSBR would have been associated with a stronger exchange rate because less money could have been channelled abroad by the private sector.

The exchange rate strength – incidentally quite contrary to what the Labour Party is supposed to have wanted in 1980 and 1981 – might have been dampended by official intervention on the exchanges. The Bank of England could have sold sterling and bought foreign currency just as private investors did.

But, unlike the private investors,, the Bank of England would not have used the foreign currency to buy the shares of American and Japanese industrial companies, French commercial property, Singapore banks or whatever. It would instead have been allocated – as most countries' reserves are – preponderantly to US Treasury bills. Britain would have invested in £20 billion of US government paper rather than in £20 billion of geographilly-dispersed investments dominated by equities.

We would,, therefore, have captured all of the currency gain due to the pound's depreciation against the dollar, but we would also have missed the capital gains due to the equity boom after August 1982. Mr Hattersley would have lost Britain a vast sum of money because of an attitude towards economic policy which he confesses to be "pretty ideological".

The loss can only be guestimated, but it would probably have been several billion pounds.

There is, however, something implausible in the notion that Mr Hattersley and his colleagues would have been prepared to accumulate £20billion of US Treasury bills. It is more likely that the easier option would have been chosen and that North Sea revenues would have been used for higher public spending, particularly capital spending.

By this means the preservation of exchange controls might have resulted in more public sector investment. It is possible that this investment would not have been in uneconomic coal pits where costs were three times receipts, or in steel plants unable to operate at more than a fraction of capacity, or in car plants suffering almost total stoppages from strikes every other weeks.

### Labour's ideological approach would have lost Britain billions of pounds

It is possible, but it is not likely. The difference between the return to the nation from these "investments" and the £15billion capital gains actually achieved on overseas assets is a matter of conjecture, but again it could well be negative by several billion pounds.

Confidence in Mr Hattersley's abilities as an investment manager is not increased by his promise that he would accompany exchange controls with "a new sort of planning". The idea apparently is that more power would be passed out to the regions, while "new models of socialist enterprise" build "on the initiative and creativity of working people".

If Mr Hattersley wants to learn more about the initiative and creativity of working people (including some very wealthy working people), he might pay a visit to bank managers in Florida and Switzerland. He would discover from them most countries already have exchange controls ministers commited to "new sorts of planning", rampant inflation and confiscatory governments, and that this combination causes massive capital flight to the relatively few countries (of which the USA and Switzerland are the main examples) where private property rights are fully respected.

This state of affairs is, of course, far from ideal. It ensures that many poor countries remain starved of capital, while a small number of rich countries are glutted with it. It also suggests that exchange controls – even when enforced by governments considerably more barbarous than anything yet imposed on Britain by the Labour Party – are always ineffective. To put the point most simply, there are aeroplanes and there are suitcases.

In a world where few governments respect private property, and are expected to respect it into the indefinite future, enormous advantages accrue to the citizens of countries which do have such governments. It is not just money which flows towards these countries, but also talent and ideas.

Here lies much of the explanation for the eagerness of Sweden's high-tech entrepreneurs to seek listings on the United States stock exchanges in recent years. If they have a United States quote, they can obtain United States finance; if they have United States finance, they can acquire United States subsidiaries; and if they have United States subsidiaries, they can earn United States profits.

*Once they have sizable* United States profits, they can catch a plane from Stockholm to New York, and after a few years they stop being Swedish nationals (subject to exchange controls, 80 per cent income tax, "new sorts of planning" and the like) and become Americans.

Processes of this kind, which are largely responsible for the present reversal of the post-1945 shift of economic power from the United States to Europe, can be halted only if European governments show themselves prepared to make their economies more "American" – or, in effect, more capitalist – in character.

This is an unwelcome message for socialist politicans, but it is one which the French Governmment – after four years of enforcing ever tighter exchange controls, experimenting with different kinds of planning and indulging various other interventionist fantasies – seems finally to have understood.

To judge from his latest statements, it is a vain hope that Mr Hattersley would learn more quickly than his French counterparts if he were to become Chancellor.

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## APPOINTMENTS

Lloyds Bank: Mr **Harry Allibon**, who recently retired as regional general manager, Birmingham, joins the Birmingham and West Midlands regional board, as a regional director on October 1.

Wiggins Teape Group: Changes in the group's Carbonless Papers Operations: Mr **Make Dale** becomes manufacturing director, with responsibility for all manufacturing plants; Mr **Gordon Bond** becomes marketing director, in charge of all marketing operations worldwide; Mr **Allan McGhee** becomes technical director.

Barham Group: Mr **Stuart McAlpine** is now a main board director. Mr McAlpine continues as managing director of Smedley McAlpine.



## Base Lending Rates

| | |
|---|---|
| ABN Bank | 10½% |
| Adam & Company | 10½% |
| Barclays | 10½% |
| BCCI | 10½% |
| Citibank Savings | † 12 % |
| Consolidated Crds | 10½% |
| Continental Trust | 10½% |
| C. Hoare & Co | * 10½% |
| Lloyds Bank | 10½% |
| Midland Bank | 10½% |
| Nat Westminster | 10½% |
| TSB | 10½% |
| Williams & Glyn's | 10½% |
| Citibank NA | 10½% |

† Mortgage Base Rate.

* 7 day deposits on sums of under £10,000, 7¾%; £10,000 up to £50,000, 8%; £50,000 and over, 8¼%.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

# Hanson Trust shares head Americans' shopping list

By Derek Pain

Shares of Hanson Trust, the aggressive conglomerate famed for its specacular bids and share-buying activities, were on the Americans' shopping list yesterday.

As sterling continues to wilt against the dollar the shares of big British groups are becoming more and more attractive to trans-Atlantic investors.

Hanson, which put on a US share presentation this year and has big American interests, had not featured strongly in the determined American share shopping, which is now such a feature of the market. But all that changed yesterday afternoon.

American buyers, largely represented by James Capel, the broker, started chasing the shares. They had opened lower, drifting to 229p with the market. But as the Americans arrived they shot ahead to 241p, making them easily the best performing FT 30 Index stock.

Hanson shares have much going for them at the moment. Only recently they emerged as a strong chart buy.

The group's last major takeover was the UDS stores group. As for its share stakes it has, if market rumours are to be believed, holdings in a vast array of important companies, ranging from the Imperial Group to Rowntree Mackintosh. It has confirmed a share stake in Chubb, Powell Duffryn and Charter Consolidated.

One recent City suggestion is that Hanson plans a Charter deal with Minorco, the holding company of the South African Oppenheimer group. Minorco has 35.7 per cent of Charter which will have 8 per cent of the new financial conglomerate – banking, broking and jobbing – being put together under the wing of Mercury Securities.

Groups with strong US connections – Grand Metropolitan to Imperial Chemical Industries – will clearly reap rich rewards from sterling's discomfort as their transatlantic earnings are translated into pounds.

But although American buyers were chasing Hanson they shied away from a number of other likely candidates, often because the shares moved ahead in anticipation of their arrival.

Even so **Imperial Chemical Industries** continued to feel the warmth of transatlantic attention. At one time the shares were 8p higher at 644p. But they closed unchanged.

**Turner and Newall** was another to come in for a US run, up 4p at 93p.

Although markets lacked a positive trend trading was active. The plight of sterling was largely ignored, so was the expected conclusion of the dock strike. There were vague worries about interest rates being forced higher but they were not sufficiently strong to have much impact.

At the close the FT 30 share index was just one point lower at 858 points. It had, at one time looked like closing slightly higher but Wall Street's weak opening eroded sentiment.

The FT-SE index was also marginally lower, down 0.6 points at 1,109.9 points. But one market index higher was the Datastream USM indicator. It rose 0.48 points to 102.72 points.

Government stocks, at one time nursing falls of up to £⅞ cut their losses to £¼ by the close, helped by the PSBR figures.

**London Investment Trust**, the commodities to film financing group, gained 2p to 30½p as the company disclosed it was taking over a Chicago options dealer and stockbroker. The cost is just slightly more than £1m.

The Chicago firm, Rialcor, has been hampered in the past by "a shortage of capital which LIT is in a position to remedy".

It is intended to develop the company more into retail options brokerage and in the general field of American stockbroking. LIT's next move could be the by now familiar 29.9 per cent shareholding in a London stockbroker.

USM newcomers **Fergabrook** and **Paul Michael Leisurewear** made impressive debuts. Fergabrook in active trading reached 81p from its 74p placing level and PML closed at 33p against a 30p placing price.

**Airship Industries**, after Monday's wild excitement, relapsed to 7½p. VW Thermax on its recent acquisition, gained 7p to 143p.

*Yelverton Investments*, which has attracted many a famous name in the past, has now caught the attention of an investor from Panama, a company called Gulf Trust and Credit. With friends it has acquired 19.4 per cent. Gulf picked up most of its shareholding last week but acquired a further 355,000 shares yesterday. Mr Simon Watson, chief executive of Gulf's British operation, has joined the Yelverton board.

**Brent Chemicals** confirmed that it holds just under 5 per cent of W. Canning – and has done for about two months – but said it has no immediate plans to bid. The stake is a trade investment, said chairman Mr Bill Cross,

Brent yesterday announced interim pretax profits 17.7 per cent higher at £2.25m on turnover fractionally ahead at £27.9m. It is going for higher quality, higher margin business and the process is expected to continue in the second half with full-year profits of £5m in sight against £4m in 1983.

An announcement of an American acquisition is expected in the next few days. The Los Angeles-based company, part of a large US quoted conglomerate, will cost $3.5m.

**W. Canning's** interims, announced on Monday, showed pretax profits 47.3 per cent higher at £1.1m on turnover 5.6 per cent down. Canning shares retreated 4p today to 117p on Brent's bid denials. Brent shares eased 1p to 97p.

*A USM placing price of 85p a share has been fixed by Bell, Lawrie Macgregor, the Edinburgh broker, for Comprehensive Financial Services, the consultancy group. At 85p, CFS is valued at £2.8m and the shares are being placed on 14.9 times prospective earnings with profits forecast at £250,000.*

*Like many others, Tricentrol has not had the best of luck drilling in the seemingly promising China Sea. But there is excitement over other activities of the once high flying group. Yesterday came another encouraging report from the Australian offshore Carnarvon Basin and hopes are running high of a significant North Sea gas strike. Progress in the Gulf of Mexico and North America are other bull factors. The shares rose 5p to 220p.*

*Shares of Allied-Lyons, the Double Diamond brewing group, fell 1p to 151p yesterday as L Messel, the broker, cut its year's profits forecast by £10m to £215m. The outlook for beer consumption has become less favourable and "the miners strike is beginning to have a measurable impact" on the fortunes of some brewries, says the broker.*

## MONEY MARKETS

Rates firmed in the money markets as the pound took another battering in the foreign exchanges yesterday. But they came off the top in the afternoon, as some of the damage to sterling was undone.

Sterling certificates of deposit suffered more than interbank term deposits. The premium pricing that puts paper on lower rates than straight deposits was pared as nervous holders sold. The long end on term deposits firmed 1-8 while that on paper firmed 3-16.

The market was certainly regaining its nerve as the pound recovered lost ground in the latter half of the afternoon.

Clearing Banks Base Rate 10½

Discount Mkt Loans%
Overnight: High 10⅝ Low 5

Week Fixed: 10¼-10

Treasury Bills(Dis%)

| Buying | | Selling | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2 months | 10[illegible] | 2 months | 10¼ |
| 3 months | 10¼ | 3 months | 10 |

Prime Bank Bills(Dis%)Trades(Dis%)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 month | 10[illegible]-10[illegible] | 1 month | 11⅛ |
| 2 months | 10[illegible]-10[illegible] | 2 months | 10[illegible] |
| 3 months | 10[illegible]-10[illegible] | 3 months | 11 |
| 6 months | 10[illegible]-10[illegible] | 6 months | 10[illegible] |

Local Authority Bonds

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 month | 11⅛-11⅛ | 7 months | 11-10⅞ |
| 2 months | 11⅛-11 | 8 months | 11-10⅞ |
| 3 months | 11[illegible]-11[illegible] | 9 months | 11[illegible]-11[illegible] |
| 4 months | 11[illegible]-11[illegible] | 10 months | 11[illegible]-11[illegible] |
| 5 months | 11[illegible]-11[illegible] | 11 months | 11[illegible]-11[illegible] |
| 6 months | 11-10⅞ | 12 months | 11[illegible]-11[illegible] |

Secondary Mkt. £CD Rates(%)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 month | 10[illegible]-10[illegible] | 6 months | 10[illegible]-10[illegible] |
| 3 months | 10[illegible]-10[illegible] | 12 months | 10[illegible]-10[illegible] |

Local Authority Market(%)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 day | 10[illegible] | 3 months | 11 |
| 7 days | 10[illegible] | 6 months | 11 |
| 1 month | 10[illegible] | 1 year | 11 |

Interbank Market(%)
Overnight: open 9[illegible]-9 Close 6-2

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 week | 10[illegible]-10[illegible] | 6 months | 11[illegible]-10[illegible] |
| 1 month | 10[illegible]-10[illegible] | 9 months | 11[illegible]-11 |
| 3 months | 11[illegible]-10[illegible] | 12 months | 11[illegible]-11 |

First Class Finance Houses(Mkt. Rate%)
3 months 11[illegible] 6 months 11[illegible]

Finance House Base Rate 11½

| RECENT ISSUES | Closing Price |
|---|---|
| Alphameric 5p Ord (95a) | 110+3 |
| Applied Holographics 5p Ord (180a) | 165 |
| Berkeley Group 25p Ord (85a) | 108 |
| Blue Arrow 25p Ord (75a) | 86 |
| Britannia Security 10p Ord (61.5a) | 81 |
| Bush Radio 10p Ord (88a) | 76 |
| Clogau Gold 10p Ord (30a) | 24 |
| Compsoft Hldgs 5p Ord ([illegible]a) | 134 |
| DDT Group 5p Ord (135a) | 189+1 |
| Ennex Int Ir 10p Ord (41a) | 35 |
| Enterprise Oil 25p Ord (185[illegible]) | 198 |
| Entertainment Prod 5p Ord (58a) | 48 |
| Etam 10p Ord (95) | 115 |
| Extract Wool 50p Ord (105a) | 140 |
| Gaunt R 25p Ord (50a) | 48 |
| Gee/Rosen Org 5p Ord (33a) | 33 |
| Hobson 5p Ord (25a) | 34+1 |
| Hoggett Bowers 5p Ord (47a) | 49 |
| Ind Scot Energy £1 Ord (a) | 125 |
| Jaguar 25p Ord (165) | 189+5 |
| Mayfair & City Prop 25p Ord (100a) | 106 |
| Pacific Sales Org 10p Ord (60a) | 45 |
| Piccadilly Radio 5p Ord NV (28a) | 21 |
| President Entertain 10p Ord (10½a) | 15½ |
| TDS Circuits 5p Ord (380a) | 415+5 |
| Telecomputing 10p Ord (a) | 270 |
| Tinsley (Eliza) Grp 5p Ord (55a) | 57–1 |
| Trencherwood 10p Ord (145a) | 158 |

Issue price in parentheses a Unlisted Securities. * by tender.

TEMPUS

# Barratt slips £15m after criticism on television

There is a great deal of sympathy for the dismal results from Barratt Developments which saw pretax profits slump from £50.3m to £35.6m. The problems, brought about by two adverse television programmes, are not of the company's making, but is the effect not the cause which must be considered.

Barratt was expecting to sell 18,000 houses and ended up with only 13,700 completions. The cost of absorbing overheads on these reduced volumes is reflected in the profits fall.

To counter the bad publicity which has hit house sales the company has been forced to introduce several costly incentives. These bite further into margins and Barratt's difficulties are highlighted by one of these schemes. The mortgage reduction scheme costs the company 7 per cent of the house price which equates to the 6.8 per cent margins it earns in Britain.

There is little sign of any increase in volumes ths year and another reduction in sales is more likely. Although the company is doing all it can to reduce overheads it is an uphill battle and profits could fall again in 1984/85.

With borrowing up by £100m to £128m the balance sheet is a big constraint n any progress. Much of this week was needed to finance the increase in work in progress and the number of unsold houses increased by 30 per cent to 1300.

There is little sign of any immediate improvement in Barratt's position. The maintained dividend which gives the shares an attractive 12 per cent yield is the only justification for looking at the shares and even so there are still sufficient uncertainties about the short-term prospects to leave them alone for the time being.

## Cons Gold

Consolidated Gold Fields may have managed to raise pretax profits by 17 per cent to £105m, a creditable performance for any mining company under present conditions, but the City was not enchanted. The shares lost ground because the longer one looked at the figures the less comfortable the future seems.

For a start, this is the fourth successive year during which the dividend has been held at 24.5p net. Even now the cover of 1.6 times is at the bottom end of the range with which Cons Gold is comfortable.

The second point is that Cons Gold's management now almost talks of the company as though it were a defensive stock. Operating profits rose by 12 per cent to £154m, but for the first time the biggest single contributor was Amey Roadstone, whose overall share was £54.9m against £46.5m, largely because of a sharp improvement in the United States.

*Higher costs and lower share* dealing profits depressed the Gold Fields of South Africa contributin from £51.2m to £45.8m, and the diviends from Driefontein Consolidated and Kloof fell by £1.5m to £23.6m. Smaller returns from both Newmont and Reinison pused overall mining profits down from £95.1m to £82.4m.

The growth came from the £27m turnround in the industials, where even Skytop Brewster is cash positive, if unsold. All this may create strenght and diversified balance, geographically and commercialy, but it does not *generate growth. A 10 per cent* addition to earnings per share of 38.2p is the likelihood for the present year. If one fancies Gold, could be stake in Newmonth, or GFSA if one fancies Gold, could be preferable.

## Fisons

Any suspicion that Fisons would not be able to maintain the steady growth it has demonstrated over the last 18 months should at last be laid to rest. Yesterday's interim results, with pretax profits up from £13.4m to £22.6m, confirmed that the growth continues and gave no indication that it was slowing down.

Most exposed to a reduction *in growth is the pharmaceutical* division where the product range needs some expansion. However, Fisons is compensating for any deficiency here by *expanding its international* markets and both Japan and the US offer opportunities for improvement.

The company is still looking for a *big acquisition* in the pharmaceutical sector, probably in the US, which will boost the growth potential, but there is enough available from internal sources for Fisons not to be rushed.

The acquisition of Curtin Matheson Scientific in the US has added £4m at the pretax level, but the other scientific equipment companies also increased their profits by about 30 per cent.

*The horticultural division* is the smallest, with profits of £2.2m, but these increased by nearly 100 per cent

Fisons' balance sheet is in good shape with gearing at about 11 per cent which allows it the flexibility to make a substantial acquisition. *The shares were up 12p yesterday to* 235p where they look very good value.

## FOREIGN EXCHANGES

A midday surge – just before the New York opening – saw the dollar hit 3.12 against the Deutschemark, and 1.2165 in terms of sterling, yet a new all-time low.

However, profit-taking developed later, enabling the Deutschemark to reduce its loss on the day to just over 1¾ pfennings at 3.0935, and allowing the pound to rally to 1.2320 for an overall fall of 95 points.

Sterling's effective exchange rate index ended 0.6 lower at 76.4, having touched 76.0 at midday, the lowest since it took its present form, back in February 1981.

STERLING SPOT and FORWARD RATES

| | Market rates day's range September 18 | Market rates close September 18 | 1 month | 3 months |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| New York | $1.2165-1.2368 | $1.2315-1.2325 | 0.07-0.09c disc | 0.23-0.26c disc |
| Montreal | n.a. | $1.6240-1.6265 | 0.14-0.19c disc | 0.45-0.53c disc |
| Amsterdam | n.a. | 4.2875-4.2975fl | 1⅞-1⅝c prem | 5⅛-4⅞c prem |
| Brussels | n.a. | 76.65-76.85f | 3 prem-3c disc | 7 prem-2c disc |
| Copenhagen | n.a. | 13.7875-13.8075k | par-1ore disc | 2-2⅞ore disc |
| Frankfurt | n.a. | 3.8075-3.8175m | 1⅞-1⅝pf prem | 5⅛-4⅞pf prem |
| Lisbon | n.a. | 197.70-198.70e | 190-580e disc | 540-1500e disc |
| Madrid | n.a. | 213.10-213.50p | 60-70p disc | 155-188p disc |
| Milan | n.a. | 2347.50-2350.50lr | 8-10lr disc | 22-26lr disc |
| Oslo | n.a. | 10.7425-10.7625k | 1¾-2¼ore disc | 5¾-6¼ore disc |
| Paris | n.a. | 11.6975-11.7075f | ¼prem-¼c disc | ¼-1¼c disc |
| Stockholm | n.a. | 10.7325-10.7425k | 2⅛-2⅝ore disc | 5⅞-6⅜ore disc |
| Tokyo | n.a. | 303.10-303.80y | 1⅛-1y prem | 3⅝-3¼y prem |
| Vienna | n.a. | 26.75-26.78sch | 9⅞-8⅝gro prem | 27⅝-24⅛gro disc |
| Zurich | n.a. | 3.13-3.14f | 1⅝-1⅜c prem | 4⅝-4⅜c prem |
| Dublin | 1.2125-1.2300p | 1.2277-1.2287p | 11-28p disc | 45-67p disc |

Effective exchange rate compared with 1975 was down 0.6 at 76.4.

OTHER £ RATES

| | |
|---|---|
| Australia | 1.4888-1.4919 |
| Bahrain | 0.4590-0.4630 |
| Finland | 7.7840-7.8240 |
| Greece | 146.30-148.30 |
| Hongkong | 9.6896-9.6913 |
| Iran | n.a. |
| Kuwait | 0.3645-0.3685 |
| Malaysia | 2.9075-2.9116 |
| Mexico | 235-260 |
| New Zealand | 2.5323-2.6597 |
| Saudi Arabia | 4.3355-4.3755 |
| Singapore | 2.6766-2.6808 |
| South Africa | 2.1023-2.1077 |

Rates Supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

| | |
|---|---|
| Ireland | 1.0015-1.0025 |
| Singapore | 2.1700-2.1715 |
| Malaysia | 2.3570-2.3585 |
| Australia | 0.8280-0.8290 |
| Canada | 1.3180-1.3185 |
| Sweden | 8.6980-8.7030 |
| Norway | 8.7180-8.7250 |
| Denmark | 11.1920-11.1970 |
| West Germany | 3.0905-3.0925 |
| Switzerland | 2.5400-2.5415 |
| Netherlands | 3.4850-3.4850 |
| France | 9.4875-9.4975 |
| Japan | 246.10-246.25 |
| Italy | 1904-1905 |
| Belgium(Comm) | 62.24-62.29 |
| Hong Kong | 7.8650-7.8680 |
| Portugal | 159-162 |
| Spain | 173.25-173.55 |
| Austria | 21.75-21.80 |

EURO-$ DEPOSITS

(%) calls, 11⅜-10⅝; seven days, 11[illegible]-11[illegible]; one month, 11⅝-11½; three months, 11[illegible]-11[illegible]; six months, 11⅞-11¾.

## COMMODITIES

LONDON COMMODITY PRICES
Rubber, coffee, cocoa, in £ per tonne; Sugar and gas oil in $ per tonne.

| | |
|---|---|
| **RUBBER** | |
| Oct | 643–10 |
| Nov | 650–20 |
| Dec | 660–30 |
| Jan | 670–41 |
| Feb | 680–50 |
| Mch | 700–70 |
| Apr | 750–70 |
| May | 750–85 |
| Jun | 770–75 |
| Oct/Dec | 645–20 |
| Jan/Mar | 683–70 |
| Apr/Jun | 705–85 |
| **SUGAR** | |
| Oct | 113.00–113.20 |
| Dec | 124.00–124.60 |
| Mar | 142.00–142.40 |
| May | 149.40–149.60 |
| Aug | 159.00–159.20 |
| Oct | 167.60–168.00 |
| Dec | 275.00–177.00 |
| Vol: | 4077 |
| **COCOA** | |
| Sep | 2210–05 |
| Dec | 1916–18 |
| Mar | 1856–54 |
| May | 1851–50 |
| July | 1847–46 |
| Sep | 1847–44 |
| Dec | 1840–30 |
| Vol: | 4554 |
| **COFFEE** | |
| Sep | 2412–2410 |
| Nov | 2449–2448 |
| Jan | 2373–2370 |
| Mar | 2220–2216 |
| May | 2198–2181 |
| July | 2176–2160 |
| Sep | 2156–2140 |
| Vol: | 3567 |
| **GAS OIL** | |
| Sep | 235.50–35.00 |
| Oct | 239.00–38.75 |
| Nov | 243.00–42.75 |
| Dec | 246.50–46.00 |
| Jan | 247.00–46.75 |
| Feb | 246.00–45.00 |
| Mar | 244.50–404.25 |
| Apl | 240.00–35.00 |
| Vol: | 1050 |
| Tone: Quiet. | |

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE
Unofficial prices:
Official turnover figures.
Prices in pounds per metric ton
Silver in pence per troy ounce
Rudolf Wolff & Co. Ltd. report

| | |
|---|---|
| **COPPER HIGH GRADE** | |
| Cash | 1029.00–1030.00 |
| Three months | 1050.50–1051.00 |
| T/O | 9,100 |
| Tone: Steadier. | |
| **STANDARD CATHODES** | |
| Cash | 1030.00–1032.00 |
| Three months | 9675.00–9680.00 |
| T/O | 1,050 |
| Tone: Easier. | |
| **TIN HIGH GRADE** | |
| Cash | 9755–9765 |
| Three months | 9695–9705 |
| T/O: | 100 |
| Tone: Quiet. | |
| **LEAD** | |
| Cash | 316.00–316.00 |
| Three months | 324.50–325.00 |
| T/O: | 3,450 |
| Tone: Steadier. | |
| **ZINC STANDARD** | |
| Cash | 629.00–630.00 |
| Three months | 623.50–624.00 |
| T/O: | 8,975 |
| Tone: Steady. | |
| **ZINC HIGH GRADE** | |
| Cash | 695.00–705.00 |
| Three months | 680.00–689.00 |
| T/o | Nil |
| Tone: Idle. | |
| **SILVER LARGE** | |
| Cash | 573.5–574.5 |
| Three months | 589.0–590.0 |
| T/O: | 36 |
| Tone: Steady. | |
| **SILVER SMALL** | |
| Cash | 572.0–573.0 |
| Three months | 587.0–588.0 |
| T/O: | 2 |
| | Tone: Quiet. |
| **ALUMINIUM** | |
| Cash | 810.00–811.00 |
| Three months | 834.00–834.50 |
| T/O: | 6,475 |
| Tone: Steady. | |
| **NICKEL** | |
| Cash | 3820–3825 |
| Three months | 3915–3920 |
| T/O: | 294 |
| Tone: Easier. | |

LONDON GOLD FUTURES MARKET
In US $ per oz.

| | |
|---|---|
| Dec | 345.60–346.00 |
| Dec | – |
| Feb | – |
| Apl | – |
| Vol | |
| Tone: | |

LONDON INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL FUTURES
Rudolf Wolff Financial Services Ltd.

| Mnth | Vol | Settmt |
|---|---|---|
| **YEN** | | |
| Dec'84 | 4 | 4109 |
| Mar'85 | | – |
| Jun'85 | – | – |
| Comment: Quiet. | | |
| **STERLING** | | |
| Dec'84 | 1379 | 1.2505 |
| Mar'85 | 401 | 1.2536 |
| Jun'85 | – | – |
| Comment: Very active.. | | |
| **D-MARK** | | |
| Dec'84 | 107 | 3269 |
| Mar'85 | – | 3316 |
| Jun'85 | – | – |
| Comment: Extremely volatile. | | |
| **SWISS FRANC** | | |
| Dec'84 | – | 3995 |
| Mar'85 | – | – |
| Jun'85 | – | – |
| Comment: Untraded. | | |
| **EURODOLLARS** | | |
| Dec'84 | 3036 | 8864 |
| Mar'85 | 318 | 8832 |
| Jun'85 | 121 | 8805 |
| Sep'85 | – | 8783 |
| Comment: Firm. | | |
| **SHORT STERLING** | | |
| Dec'84 | 4049 | 8964 |
| Mar'85 | 209 | 8957 |
| Jun'85 | 61 | 8942 |
| Sep'85 | – | – |
| Dec'85 | – | – |
| Comment: Very nervous. | | |
| **ST-BONDS** | | |
| Dec'84 | 793 | 6719 |
| Mar'85 | – | 6702 |
| Jun'85 | – | – |
| Comment: Steady | | |
| **GILTS** | | |
| Sep'84 | 224 | 10524 |
| Dec'84 | 6136 | 10431 |
| Mar'85 | | 10410 |
| June'85 | | 10407 |
| Sep'84 | – | 10710 |
| Comment: Volatile. | | |
| **LIFFE FT30** | | |
| Sep'84 | 146 | 11010 |
| Dec'84 | 44 | 11000 |
| Mar'85 | – | 11000 |

London Grain Futures Market

| Month | WHEAT Close | BARLEY Close |
|---|---|---|
| Sep | £104.25 | 105.40 |
| Nov | £106.65 | 107.80 |
| Jan | £110.55 | 111.40 |
| Mar | £113.70 | 114.30 |
| May | £117.20 | 117.05 |
| July | £119.60 | |

Total lots traded
Wheat: 495
Barley: 210

WALL STREET

# Early setback for Dow

New York (AP-Dow Jones) – Wall Street prices opened lower yesterday in active trading. The Dow Jones industrial average, which shed 0.44 on Monday, was down 3.97 to 1,233.10 shortly after the market opened.

It gained 37.21 in the previous two sessions to the highest level since August 21.

Declines led advances 448 to 344 among the 1,278 issues traded.

Early turnover amounted to about 6,788 million shares.

Several analysts said they were optimistic about the session since the market did not give much ground on Monday.

| | Sept 17 | Sept 14 | | Sept 17 | Sept 14 | | Sept 17 | Sept 14 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| AMF Inc | 17 | 17 | Fed Dept Stores | [illegible] | [illegible] | Phillips Petrol | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| AMR | [illegible] | [illegible] | Firestone | 18 | [illegible] | Polaroid | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Allied Chem | [illegible] | [illegible] | Fst Chicago | [illegible] | [illegible] | PPG Ind | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Allied Stores | [illegible] | [illegible] | Fst Interst Banc | [illegible] | [illegible] | Proctor Gamble | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Allis Chalmers | [illegible] | [illegible] | Fst Penn Corp | [illegible] | [illegible] | Pub Ser El & Gas | 24 | [illegible] |
| Alcoa | [illegible] | [illegible] | Ford | [illegible] | [illegible] | Raytheon | 44 | [illegible] |
| Amax Inc | [illegible] | [illegible] | GAF Corp | [illegible] | [illegible] | RCA Corp | 37 | [illegible] |
| Amerada Hess | [illegible] | [illegible] | GTE Corp | [illegible] | [illegible] | Reynolds Ind | [illegible] | 66 |
| Am Brands | [illegible] | [illegible] | Gen Corp | [illegible] | [illegible] | Reynolds Metal | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Am Broadcast | [illegible] | [illegible] | Gen Dynamics | [illegible] | [illegible] | Rockwell Int | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Am Can | [illegible] | [illegible] | Gen Electric | [illegible] | [illegible] | Royal Dutch | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Am Cyanamid | [illegible] | [illegible] | Gen Foods | [illegible] | [illegible] | Safeways | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Am Elec Power | [illegible] | [illegible] | Gen Mills | [illegible] | [illegible] | St Regis Paper | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

GOLF

# Wentworth on their guard for trouble

By Mitchell Platts

The prospect of an uninspiring act by a member of the gallery tainting the world match-play championship sponsored by Suntory, as happened 12 months ago, has been diminished by a re-styled "security" operation to be implemented at Wentworth next week.

Tony Gray, the tounament director, will co-ordinate matters by employing television to monitor play and relay information on any controversial incident by walkie-talkie to the on-the-spot officials. Moreover, only PGA European tour staff, well versed in the interpretation of the rules, will referee the matches, which begin next Thursday, with the assistance of forward observers as in the Ryder Cup.

Such elaborate arrangements are being employed following the unsavoury happening last year when Nick Faldo's ball, which had overshot the 16th green was clearly thrown back on to the putting surface during his first round match with Graham Marsh.

Ken Schofield, executive director of the PGA European tour, explained: "We are taking all possible steps to make certain the championship will not be spoiled this year by one lunatic."

Huge galleries are assured again for the 21st annual event with Greg Norman, the defending champion, Severiano Ballesteros (British Open champion), Ben Crenshaw (US Masters champion), and Fuzzy Zoeller (US Open champion) confirmed as contenders for the £45,000 first prize when the draw was in London yesterday.

These four heavyweights of golfing receive the deserved advantage of byes into the second round. Ballesteros, the favourite and the champion in 1982 and '83, is seeded to meet Norman, who also won in 1981, in the final.

FIRST ROUND DRAW: Gary Player (SA) v Tommy Nakajima (Japan), winner meets Greg Norman (Aust); Howard Clark (GB) v Bernhard Langer (WG), winner meets Fuzzy Zoeller (US); Toruda Nakamura (Japan) v Sam Torrance (GB), winner meets Ben Crenshaw (US); Craig Stadler (US) v Nick Faldo (GB), winner meets Severiano Ballesteros (Sp).

## Short play-offs for Open

The Open will no longer be decided by an 18-hole play-off in the event of a tie, the Royal and Ancient announced yesterday. In future, starting with next year's tournament at Royal St Georges, a five-hole play-off will be held immediately if there is a tie. Then, if the scores remain level, the championship will be decided by sudden death.

Last July at St Andrews a tie seemed likely until the final two holes. The R and A's secretary, Michael Bonallack, said: "It would have been an anti-climax for the 30,000-odd spectators present on the last day to have been deprived of a finish."

ATHLETICS

# Cram still sharp as Ottley aims to prove a point

From Pat Butcher Nanking

Steve Cram was beaten by a county-class quarter miler here yesterday afternoon; but rest easy Jarrow and Hebburn, it was only on the last leg of a 4 x 400m relay, in which he was partnered by the equally unlikely combination of the triple-jumpers, Keith Connor and John Herbert, and the Olympic decathlon champion, Daley Thompson.

They acquitted themselves quiet well – each running around 48 seconds, and finishing second to the Chinese – after feeling that they had been badgered into the event by the team manager, Andy Norman, who explained that it would be "good diplomatically".

They and we were not quite sure whether he meant good to participate or good to lose to the Chinese. It was a little like the British version of ping-pong diplomacy – that more than sneaky feeling we used to get when the unbeatable Chinese table-tennis players lost an occasional match when their country first started making overtures to the west.

Whatever the case, we could afford to return the compliment, since this second day's programme of events, which should have been telescoped into a one-day meeting, was partially elevated out of its county-championship air by three individual British victories out of three – Dave Ottley in the javelin, Cram in the 800 metres, and Judy Simpson, who started off the meeting by winning the 100 metres hurdles in 13.41 sec.

Ottley deserves a lot more credit than he has received for his Olympic silver medal. Not only was it the first won by a British male in a throwing event since 1928, but Ottley was the only thrower in Los Angeles to come anywhere near his personal best – a general decline in form at major championships which normally leads to charges that the majority of throwers have come off performance-boosting drugs to avoid detection.

While Ottley would be the first to admit that he would probably not have won a medal if the east Europeans had been competing, he also defends his event as one where technique comes into play more than strength, which can be built up by drugs.

Yet the proposal to move the javelin's fulcrum away from the hip, in a bid to cut distances and keep the javelin away from spectators will favour the "strength" throwers, and thereby invite more drug abuse.

Ottley, who won with 83.56 metres yesterday, has won the backing of Norman in his campaign to safeguard spectators by improving safety precautions rather than ruin the event. He also deserves a hearing by the International Amateur Athletic Federation's administrators, who have evidently given less thought to this charge than to stamping out drug abuse.

Cram – who does not seem over-impressed that the revolutionaries here undertook a longer march than his Jarrow predecessors, and with conspicuously more success – had his own success in the 800 metres. He ran right away from the field from the start, to record 1min 46.45sec, his third fastest time of the year, and prove that he is still sharper than most at the tail-end of the season.

One of the peculiarities of the meeting to western eyes was the lack of interest the crowd showed in the running events, symptomatic surely of the relatively low standards in China. For instance, Cram's race was followed by a domestic 800 metres, won in a reasonable time of 1min 49.94sec by... well, this was another peculiarity: the winner's name was given in ideogram form, and the two interpreters could not agree on the rendition into Roman script.

### France host games

Paris, (Reuter) – The first world indoor games will be held here next year January 18 to 20, a spokesman for the International Amateur Athletic Federation said yesterday. The games will be an open invitation event and around 300 athletes are expected to take part.



Ottley: putting weight behind idea of safety in javelin

However, this performance was greeted with a resounding silence, which we took for polite disinterest. Yet at the finish of the women's high jump – in which China's practitioners have almost reached the same high standards as their men, led by Zhu Jianhua – the crowd trooped round the stadium, rather like football fans at half-time, to watch the long jump.

Perhaps they, like Ottley – who, having competed here once before, is treated by his colleagues like an old hand on matters Chinese – are more interested in technique events.

## RESULTS FROM NANKING

Chinese unless stated.

MEN: 200m: 1, H Baodang, 21.54sec; 2, L Feng, 21.58; 3, Y Hung, 21.82. 800m: 1, S Cram (GB), 1min 46.45sec; 2, H Luctao, 1:49.47; 3, L Qi, 1:49.50. 10,000m: 1, S Shozo (Japan), 29:41.61; 2, F Boffi (It), 29:44.63; 3, A Saleh (Djibouti), 29:47.46. 3,000m steeplechase: 1, L Yuanmeng, 8:44.78; 2, G Fan, 8:48.61; 3, H Maeda (Japan), 8:56.06. 400m hurdles: 1, P Scholz (WG), 50.21; 2, S G Omori (Japan), 51.19; 3, W Guihua, 51.55. 4 x 400m relay: 1, China, 3:11.63; 2, Britain, 3:13.67; 3, China B team, 3:17.19. Pole vault: 1, J Zebiao, 5.20m; 2, Y Weimin, 5. Javelin: 1, D Ottley (GB), 83.56; 2, W Gambee (WG), 80.12; 3, K Maiguchi (Japan), 79.42.

WOMEN: 200m: 1, C Mercuro (It), 24.10; 2, J Huang, 24.40; 3, R Robazon (It), 24.97. 800m: 1, S Ludwig (EG), 2:4.62; 2, H Barralet (Aus), 2:05.69; 3, N Heping, 2:06.39. 3,000m: A Possamai (It), 9:04.67; Z Xiuyun, 9:06.57; G Marters (EG), 9:08.09. 100m hurdles: 1, J Simpson (GB), 13.41; 2, L Huapu, 13.43; 3, Z J Ying, 13.65. 400m hurdles: 1, C Dongmei, 59.05; 2, L Jinhua, 60.13. High-jump: 1, X Ling, 1.88; 2, Z Dazhen, 1.85; 3, Y Wenqun, 1.85. Shot: 1, M Pufe (EG), 19.68; 2, L Meisu, 17.15; 3, Y Qin, 17.06. Discus: 1, M Pufe (EG), 59.04; 2, I Manecke (WG), 58.92; 3, J Yunoang, 54.12.

TENNIS

# Lloyd keeps up his winning habit

John Lloyd maintained the form which took him to the quarter-finals in the US Open earlier this month as he beat Vijay Amritraj, of India, 7-5, 6-3 in the first round of a Grand Prix tournament in San Francisco yesterday.

Lloyd established a 4-0 lead in the first set, but Amritraj brought the score back to 4-4 as his opponent played several wild shots. However, Lloyd regained control to take the set and he led throughout the second.

● Fort Lauderdale (AP) – Mary Joe Fernandez, aged 13, became the youngest player to reach the first round of a professional tournament yesterday beating the veteran Pam Teeguarden, 6-4, 6-3 in a preliminary match at the international competition here.

Fernandez, of Miami, the 16-and-under national champion, was granted a wild card exemption by tournament officials. But to reach the first round of the event she had to beat the lowest-ranked player in the original field. Miss Teeguarden is ranked 78th in the world.

● The Lawn Tennis Association will continue to stage the LTA junior winter indoor series despite losing the backing of their sponsor, Saab. The series cost £30,000 to stage but the LTA believe the event, which has been run for six years, is "invaluable".

The first tournament will be played at Darlington on October 5–7. The scheme caters for players in the 16 and under, 14 and under and 12 and under age groups.

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BOXING

# McKenzie's touch of class must pay

By Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspondent

Clinton McKenzie, who has fought the hardest campaign in British boxing in recent years, faces the most important battle of his career tonight when he defends his British light-weight title against Terry Marsh of Stepney at the Britannia Leisure Centre, Shoreditch. Failure will mean the loss of his world ranking and could even hasten the retirement of the 28-year-old Croydon boxer with not nearly enough money to match his contribution to the game.

McKenzie has more than enough ability and experience to beat Marsh on points, but the challenger's camp believe the champion may be "ready for taking". Marsh's trainer, Ernie Fossey, said yesterday: "There have been signs that McKenzie may be past his best. It happens to everyone. There comes a day when you get up and you are not the same anymore and the last person to realize it is yourself. McKenzie was on the floor against an ordinary fighter in April, and won by just half a point."

Of course, mangers of McKenzie's opponents have been saying this about the champion ever since he had those "wars" with Des Morrison and Sylvester Mittee in 1981. But then Steve Early was seen off early and Alan Lamb, the Lion of Lancaster," was comprehensively outpointed. Fossey claims that Marsh, three times ABA champion, is a class above Early and Lamb. "Terry is a thinking fighter. He's a mechanic," said Fossey. "He'll work out how to fight McKenzie. Terry will pick him off and do what we call 'a job', which means all of a sudden there will be bumps and lumps appearing on McKenzie's face."

It could be that Fossey's ideas will land with a bump as McKenzie is very difficult to hit. Though shorter than Marsh, he has a long reach which he uses to advantage from his crouching, southpaw stance. He has a very accurate jab and Marsh will have his work cut out avoiding it.

It is a pity the champion has to put up with such irritating defences when he should be concentrating on the world title. However, he has only himself to blame for this situation. If he had not thrown that low blow, however unintentional, that floored Robert Gambini of France in 1982, and cost him his European title, he would have had no need to hold on to the British championship and make this defence. He could have been looking ahead to a world title, instead of behind.

## President held over title bout

Seoul (AP) – Yang Chung-Kyu, the president of the Korean boxing commission, and four other officials are being held for questioning about a controversial International Boxing Federation world title bout, between the Korean flyweight champion, Kwan Sun-Chan and Joaquin Caraballo, of Colombia, on September 7.

Caraballo is alleged to have passed as Alberto Castro, the Latin American and Colombian champion, to meet Kwan, who won by a knockout in the twelfth round. Yang is being questioned to determine if he has any links with the promoter, Chun Ho-Yun.

## TODAY'S FIXTURES

7.30 unless stated

FOOTBALL

European Cup
First round, first leg
Levski Spartak Sofia v Stuttgart (5.0)
Lech Poznan v Liverpool (3.0)
Aberdeen v Dynamo Berlin
Dynamo Bucharest v Omonia Nicosia (3.0)
Ilves Tampere v Juventus (5.0)
Feynoord v Panathinaikos (7.0)
Austria Vienna v Valletta (6.30)
Red Star Belgrade v Benfica (4.30)
Avenir Beggen v Gothenburg (6.30)
Bordeaux v Athletic Bilbao
Grasshoppers Zurich v Honved Budapest (7.0)
Vaalerengens v Sparta Prague (6.0)
Trabzonspor v Dnepropetrovsk (1.0)
Akranes v Beveren (7.0)
Linfield v Shamrock Rovers (8.0)
Labinoti Ebasan v Lyngby

Cup Winners' Cup
First round, first leg
Bayern Munich v Moss (7.0)
Wrexham v Porto
Metz v Barcelona
Dynamo Moscow v Hajduk Split (4.0)
Roma v Steaua Bucharest (7.45)
Copenhagen v Fortuna Sittard (6.0)
Malmo v Dynamo Dresden (6.0)
Wisla Krakow v Vestmannaeyjar (6.0)
Tradkia Plovdiv v US Luxembourg (3.30)
Soifoki Banyasz v Larissa (6.0)
Ballymena United v Hamrun Spartans (5.0)
Inter Bratislava v Kuusysi Lahti (6.30)
University College Dublin v Everton (8.0)
Ghent v Celtic (7.0)
Apoel Nicosia v Servette Geneva

UEFA Cup
First round, first leg
Sporting Braga v Tottenham Hotspur (9.0)
Sion v Atlético Madrid (7.0)
Vorwaerts Frankfurt v PSV Eindhoven (7.0)
Real Madrid v Innsbruck (8.0)
Sporting Lisbon v Auxerre (9.0)
Manchester United v Raba Vasas Gyoer
Banska Bystrica v Borussia Mönchengladbach (4.0)
Real Valladolid v Rijeka (8.0)
Paris St Germain v Heart of Midlothian
Anderlecht v Werder Bremen (7.0)
AIK Stockholm v Dundee United (6.0)
Dynamo Minsk v HJK Helsinki (4.0)
Cologne v Pogon Szczecin (7.0)
Nottingham Forest v Bruges
Lok Leipzig v Lillestrom (4.0)
Odense v Spartak Moscow (6.30)
Southampton v Hamburg
Oesters Vaxjo v Linz (6.0)
Sliven v Zeljeznicar Sarajevo (3.30)
Bohemians Prague v Limassol (4.0)
Olympia Piraeus v Neuchatel Xamax
Real Betis Seville v Universitatea Craiova (8.0)
Monaco v CSKA Sofia
Fenerbahce Istanbul v Fiorentina (2.30)

First division
Norwich City v Stoke City
Second division
Oxford United v Wolves
Third division
Derby County v Bristol City
Fourth division
Hartlepool United v Chesterfield
Hereford United v Chester City
Mansfield Town v Colchester United

GOLA LEAGUE: Boston United v Nuneaton; Yeovil v Wealdstone.
NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Burton v Gainsborough.
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Midland division: Hednesford v Oldbury. Bill Dellow Cup: First Round: Dover v Folkestone.
CENTRAL LEAGUE: First Division: Barnsley v Notts County (7.0); Newcastle v Blackburn (7.0); West Bromwich v Manchester City (7.0). Second Division: Doncaster v Preston (7.0); Hull v Leicester; Middlesbrough v Sunderland (7.0); Oldham v Bolton (7.0); Rotherham v Port Vale (7.0); [illegible]; Wigan v York.
FOOTBALL COMBINATION: [illegible] v Fulham (3.0); Bristol Rovers v Millwall (2.30).
FA CUP: First qualifying round replays: Oswestry v Chadderton; [illegible] v Seaham; CW: Sutton Coldfield v Hednesford; VS Rugby v Berkhamsted; Highgate United v Mangotsfield; Moreton v Haverfordwest; Tonbridge v [illegible]; Bideford v Chelmsford; Basingstoke v Bognor Regis; West Auckland v Guisborough (6.0).
FA VASE: Extra preliminary round, second replay: Molesey v Pagham.

OTHER SPORT

CRICKET: Cross Arrows v Lloyds Bank CC (at Lord's, 11.0).

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## Football: From the students of Dublin to the masters of Liverpool, British and Irish clubs start the new term in Europe

# Williams leads a canny blend

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

Troops must be armed with more than ability if they are to conquer Europe. They need experience, and English clubs, whose recent success abroad is second to none, have it in abundance. Although Everton, and particularly Queen's Park Rangers, may have to find their own way around the continent during the new campaign two representatives already know what to expect.

Liverpool are so accustomed to visiting foreign territory that they would feel lost only if they failed to qualify for one of the three competitions next year. When they open their defence of the *European Cup tonight in Poland*, they will come of age, and their record of 21 consecutive seasons is unlikely ever to be surpassed.

Southampton, at home to Hamburg in the UEFA Cup are *not so familiar* with journeys overseas but their players collectively are probably *the* oldest of all the teams taking part today.

Mills will be 36 in January, Shilton celebrated his 35th birthday yesterday and by the end of December, Jordan will be 33 and Curtis, preferred up front to Moran tonight, Armstrong and Holmes will all have turned 30.

Williams, Southampton's 26-year-old captain, is the important link not only in their midfield but also between two distinct age groups. If guidance is given by the wise heads the running power is supplied by *fresh legs that have attracted* Bobby Robson's interest. Moran, though currently out of favour with Lawrie McMenemy, and Wallace are England under-21 internationals and Wright is a full cap.

The blend of youth and experience may be complete but their fitness is not. Armstrong bruised a small toe on Saturday, *did not finish* the fixture and has not trained since. Agboola was *injured on Saturday night* under mysterious circumstances, spent two days in hospital with facual injuries and is the more serious doubt of the two. Wright or Holmes will take over his role as sweeper, with Mark Whitlock likely to be drafted into central defence.

Nor is Southampton's confidence in one piece. They stood *at the bottom of the first division* table – four days ago, – and although their victory over Norwich City was a source of welcome comfort they have yet to perform with conviction.

Yet, the West Germans who field MarkGhee, their £260,000 signing from Aberdeen, are clearly undergoing problems of their own. Arguments have *taken place within* the club between manager and players and in the first round of their domestic Cup they lost 2-0 to semi-professional opponents, Geislingen. That is equivalent to Southampton losing to, say, Weymouth, in the FA Cup.

Hamburg will prefer to look to more distant memories. In the last seven years they have *reached* five European *finals*, although they have won only two of them (the 1983 European Cup against Juventus and the 1977 Cup Winner's Cup against Anderlecht). They may conveniently forget that two of their conquerors were *British* (Nottingham Forest in the 1980 European Cup and Aberdeen in the 1983 Super Cup).

*The West Germans* therefore will not be short of experience themselves. Indeed two of their international representatives, Kaltz and Magath, appeared in all five finals, and their contribution to the unexpected *victory over* Juventus in Athens was both crucial and memorable. Kaltz, the most eager of overlapping full backs almost uprooted a Greek post with one effort and Magath, of majestic skill, scored the only goal.





Back in favour: Mills (left), Southampton's regular full back, and Nicol, who returns to the Liverpool side

# Vultures eye lions of Europe

By Clive White

Juventus are hovering like *vultures over the European Cup, or* to be more precise, above the limping British lion. Should Liverpool, the undisputed kings of the European jungle during the past eight years, perish today in forbidding Polish territory, then Juventus will swoop down on this competition almost unchallenged for some very rich pickings.

*But Liverpool are not dead yet*, even if they might feel queasy about their match in Poland, the scene of their last European defeat two years ago against Widzew Lodz, whom *Lech Poznam, Liverpool's enemy* now, *defeated* on goal difference to complete a Polish league and cup double.

Liverpool, bereft of the ruthlessly creative Souness and the dashingly destructive Rush, are stuttering through their League season and perform today without a playmaker. Molby, their as yet ill-fitting replacement for Souness, is ineligible, so Nicol, who gained his first full Scottish cap in the goal orgy against Yugoslavia, is recalled. Lawrenson, troubled by a virus during Satuday's limp 1-1 home draw with Sunderland, is fit, which means no nostalgic recall for Thompson.

Joe Fagan, the manager, said: "We have been too slack at the back and conceded too many goal so I can's disagree with people who say we have not been playing well." One of the most disturbing features of Liverpool's slide this season has not so much been the absence of individuals bu of character. They back-slid out of their game at Arsenal the other week and hardly bounced back on Saturday. Not the normal Liverpool reaction to a failure.

*To the rest of Europe*, Wojciech Lazarek, the manager of this season's unbeaten Lech side, has publicly staked his future on the demise of Liverpool. He said he would resign *if Lech* do not reach the last four of the European Cup. But for internal consumption he has been quoted in the Polish press as saying: "If we could have strengthened our team with two good players we could fight. As it is our chances are slim, although we will not give up."

Britains's other European title holders, Tottenham Hotspur, cannot expect Sporting Braga to lay *down before them at the start of* their UEFA Cup journey in Portugal. Tottenham have refitted new parts this season without discernible loss of power, judging by their five-gaol win over Queen's Park Rangers on Saturday. But Europe's course is tight and tricky and will place totally new stress on people like Allen and Chiedozie. Peter Shreeves, their *manager* is understandably confident.

Nottingham Forest will have unhappy memories of Belgian opposition when they meet Bruges at the City ground tonight in the UEFA Cup. Last season Forest were knocked out of the same competition in the semi-finals when Anderlecht won the second leg 3-0 to win 3-2 on aggregate.

It is the thought of tangling with similarly talented opponents that has given Clough the collywobbles – although he would seem not to have given it too much head work. "We've had too much to worry about to start dwelling on the opposition," he said, with typical inconsistency.

If he is not devaluing the opposition or his own team, it is the competition, which any club – Forest included – would give their manager to compete in. "I've always said *the League championship* is more important then winning cups," said the man sitting on top of the league. Forest will be without Hart, who has a hamstring injury and there is a doubt whether Clough will pick Christie.

The delights of cup football for the rest of us are illustrated gloriously by the Wrexham-Porto Cup Winners' Cup tie. The Welshmen have a 17-year-old, a 16-year-old and a 15-year-old – all products of the Government's youth training scheme – on call to face the side which ran Juventus so close *in* last season's final. The seniors, Parker, Gregory and Cunnington, face fitness checks.

Eight of Porto's side helped Portugal to beat Sweden last week, and just to bludgeon home the point, Porto, who include the Irishman Walsh, dazzled a crowd of 80,000 last weekend when beating Benfica, *while fourth division* Wrexham disappointed 1,704 in losing at the Racecourse Ground to Peterborough United.

"If we give a red-blooded *performance there just might be an* upset," Bobby Roberts, the Wrexham manager and incurable optimist. Be on the look out for more flying pigs over Munich, whose *Bayern team play Moss, of Norway*, and Tampere in Finland, where Ilves may barely rub shoulders with Juventus.

# Aberdeen's darkening fears are eased by Black's recovery

By Hugh Taylor

The managers of Aberdeen and Celtic, who start their European Campaign tonight against formidable opposition, breathed sighs of relief when they learned yesterday that ... players who had been laid low through injury would be ready for action.

Alex Ferguson, the Aberdeen manager assured anxious supporters who were worried about what they considered their club's lack of firing *power that the young forward Black* would play against the East German champions, Dynamo Berlin, at Pittodrie in the European Cup.

With those seasoned attackers, *Weir and McDougall*, ruled out because of injury and suspension, McGhee and Strachan, who scored eight of Aberdeen's goals in Europe last season, now elsewhere, and the loss of Black, fast rediscovering a lethal scoring touch, would have been incalculable. He has recovered from a ham string pull and his presence tonight will hearten his colleagues who realize better than most *how* much his sharpness and ability to take half chances mean to the team.

Aberdeen, however, will have to play with more understanding than they *did* against Rangers on Saturday if they are to secure the two-goal lead they require from the first leg if they are to have any chance of winning their tie against opponents who are their rivals in sheer consistency over the past few years, having won the East German league six times in a row.

David Hay, Celtic's manager, will not announce his side to meet Ghent in Belgium in the Cup *Winners' Cup* tie until nearer the kick off, but he was happy to confirm that MacLeod would return to the side. Celtic's hail the return of the redoubtable midfield player with delight for his forcing play has been sadly missed. Even with such an experience European campaigner back in action, Celtic will be happy to return from Belgium with a draw.

They *have been dogged* with inconsistency and they will need more venomous shooting if they are to have any hopes of finding a comfortable result against a Ghent side who combines typical Belgian resolution with fast-flowing attacks.

Dundee United, who meet AIK Stockholm in Sweden in a *UEFA* Cup tie, may lack their steady centre *half Hegarty and Milne*, a fleet-footed attacker through injury, but they need show only a few glimpses of their form which took them to the semi-final of the European Cup last season to beat *solid but unimaginative* opponents.

The chances of Heart of Midlothian, who will have to play with more thrust and speed than they have shown so far in the premier division if they are to have any chance against their French opponents Paris St. Germain in the UEFA Cup, are not improved with the news that their outstanding defender Roddy MacDonald, is suspended.

# French international trains with Villa

Dider Six, the French international winger, trained with Aston Villa yesterday with a view to joining them. *The 30-year-old, who is* keen to leave his relegated French club Mulhouse, joined in with the Villa squad at their training ground before flying back to France. He is *due to return next week to train with* Villa again.

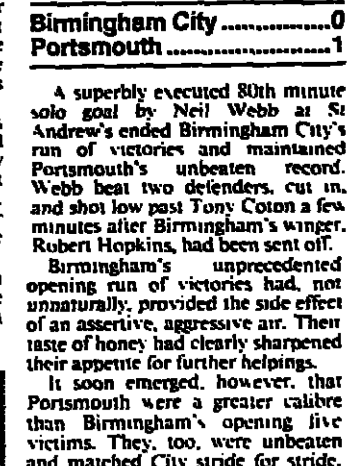
The Villa manager, Gramham Turner, who has had talks with Six said he was interested in the signing the player, but will not make a decision unitl after Six has 52 caps, has spent some time with them.

*Six*, who originally seemed bound for Italy, has not kicked a ball in earnest this season, and is available at around £150,000. The winger still has three years left of his contract with his Mulhouse, who bought him from the West German side, Stuttgart, last year.

The club are keen to recoup their money. Their new manager does not now want Six in his squad and the player's only option is to move abroad to the eighth club in his career.

Six speaks little English, but his business adviser, who accompaned his on the trip, said "He is very ambitious and wants to be the first French player in English football. He has been in contact with other Erupean clubs, but decided to come to Villa."

● Wrexham intend to sign Swansea City's 21-year-old reserve goalkeeper Chris Sander, today on a month's loan.



Six: eager to play in England

# Birmingham meet their match

By Dennis Shaw

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| Birmingham City | 0 |
| Portsmouth | 1 |

A superbly executed 80th minute *solo goal by Neil Webb* at St Andrew's ended Birmingham City's run of victories and maintained Portsmouth's unbeaten record. Webb beat two defenders, cut in, and shot low past Tony Coton a few minutes after Birmingham's winger, Robert Hopkins, had been sent off.

Birmingham's unprecedented opening run of victories had, not unnaturally, provided the side effect of an assertive, aggressive air. Their taste of honey had clearly sharpened their appetite for further helpings.

It soon emerged, however, that Portsmouth were a greater calibre than Birmingham's opening five victims. They, too, were unbeaten and matched City stride for stride, tackle for tackle. There was an exciteable air about it all with a threatened pitch invasion that was quickly quelled by a line of police.

Much attention had been focussed on the return to St Andrew's of Blake, the central defender, and his contest with Harford. This sense of anticipation was well founded.

An overhead kick by the tall forward was saved by Knight as was an attempted lob after a long ball had beaten Blake in the air.

As the competitive spirit deepened, Portsmouth's tackling, just in front of their 18 yard line, developed an increasingly menacing edge. Blake was cautioned for scything Harford's legs away. Biley, on his 100th appearance for Pompey, earned a similar punishment for dissent.

Potentially the most unsettling factor for the visitors was the directness and acceleration of *Hopkins*, who suffered a barrage of heavy tackles. In reprisal, Kuhl flattened Kennedy became the third booking.

BIRMINGHAM CITY: A Coton; B Roberts, P Van den Hauwe, W Wright, K Armstrong, C Daly, M Kuhl, M Harsall, W Clarke, R Hopkins.

PORTSMOUTH: A Knight; G Stanley, M Tait, R Doyle, N Blake, W Gilbert, N Webb, M Kennedy, N Morgan, A Biley, K Dillon.
Referee: P Tyldesley (Cheshire).

# QPR win

Two goals from Stainrod and one by Bannister gave Queen's Park Rangers a 3 – 0 victory last night over Reykjavik in Iceland in their UEFA Cup first round first leg tie.

## Yesterday's results

UEFA CUP: First round, first leg: Glentoran 1, Standard Liège 1; Reykjavik 0, Queen's Park Rangers 3.

SECOND DIVISION: Blackburn Rovers 2, Cardiff City 1; Middlesbrough 2, Wimbledon 4, Sheffield United 1, Crystal Palace 2, Shrewsbury Town 3, Oldham Athletic 0.

THIRD DIVISION: Cambridge United 0, Preston North End 3; Doncaster Rovers 0, Millwall 1, Hull City 2, Gillingham 0; Newport County 1, Bournemouth 1; Orient 0, Burnley 2; Plymouth Argyle 1, York City 1; Rotherham United 1, Brentford 1; Swansea City 2, Bolton Wanderers 1; Walsall 3, Reading 1; Wigan Athletic 1, Lincoln City 0.

FOURTH DIVISION: Aldershot 0, Peterborough United 0; Blackpool 1, Port Vale 1; Bury 2, Swindon Town 0; Northampton Town 0, Rochdale 0; Scunthorpe United 2, Crewe Alexandra 2; Torquay United 1, Darlington 1.

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Chelsea 1, Swindon 0; Ipswich 3, Norwich 0.

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCHES: Hawick 18, Gosforth 16.

## Monday's results

FOURTH DIVISION: Southend United 1, Stockport County 1; Tranmere Rovers 1, Halifax Town 0.

FA CUP: First qualifying round replays: Croydon 5, Whitstable 0; Hyde 2, Ashton 4.

GOLA LEAGUE: Dagenham 4, Maidstone 1; Gateshead 0, Runcorn 3; Northwich Victoria 1, Scarborough 1; Worcester 1, Weymouth 1.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Horwich RMI 3, Workington 0; Mossley 0, Morecambe 2

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Bill Dellow Cup: First round: Chelmsford 6, Erith and Belvedere 0; Westminster City 2, Alleyn's, Dulwich 5.
SCHOOLS MATCHES: Eton 0, Lancing 1.

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCH: Harlequins 53, Maidstone 0
TOUR MATCH: London Irish 12, Munster 19.
NORWICH: Norwich RFC Centenary match: Norwich 0, Saracens 14.

# Atkinson refuses to be engulfed by enthusiasm

By Peter Ball

Brazil: doubtful

Atkinson: pleased

Manchester United have experienced too many disappointments in Europe to take anything for granted, but with eight goals in their last two league games, they go into tonight's UEFA Cup first round, first leg match with Raba Vasas Gyoer, of Hungary, with some cause for optimism.

Ron Atkinson was thus quietly pleased yesterday, when he announced an unchanged team for tonight's match. The only doubt concerns Alan Brazil's fitness for a place on the substitutes' bench.

"The pattern is coming together," Atkinson said, reflecting that the defence which had caused the odd doubt before the season officially began, now has the best record in the first division – "perhaps because we have been playing a lot of the game in the other team's half, which I still think is the best way to defend".

United's optimism is tempered with caution, for Atkinson admits that the Hungarian side are virtually an unknown quantity. He believes that they are currently the best team in the country, and is aware that the away goals rule warns against a headlong pursuit of goals at the expense of defensive security.

Raba's domestic record supports that warning, suggesting that they are capable of punishing defenseive lapses. The forwards have scored with *abandon* and *their* international midfield player, Hannich, last year's Hungarian player of the year, scores regularly.

In spite of winning the Hungarian title the two previous *seasons* and coming second last season, their defence has leaked goals with the same abandon. They conceded 57 in the league last season against 65 scored, *while their two European* Cup ventures were ended at the first attempt in a welter of goals. Standard Liège beat them 5-3 and Dynamo Minsk an astonishing 9-4 *on aggregate in last year's competition*.

These figures indicate that visitors to Old Trafford tonight are unlikely to see the usual cat-and-mouse *approach to first leg matches*.

Anticipation in the crowd is reaching the level of the great days of the sixties, and with Olsen firmly established, Strachan settling in nicely and Whiteside currently among the goals, electricity is to be found on the pitch as well. The Hungarian defence may be found wanting once again.

# Academic interest for Everton

From Eamon Dunphy, Dublin

Not even their best friends expect University College, Dublin, to beat Everton in tonight's Cup Winners' Cup in Tolka Park. For the hosts, *it is the taking part that counts*. Everton, after an absence of five years from European competition, are assured of the gentlest of reintroductions.

The students have made a mediocre start to the domestic Irish season. *It is understood they have* been saving themselves for this historic contest. Rather more relevant to the real world will be the performances of Kevin Sheedy, *Everton's Republic of Ireland* international, and Joe Hanrahan, the best of the students. After Ireland's fine win against the Soviet Union last week, Sheedy, kept out of the *squad by injury, has a job on his* hands to regain his place for the visit to Norway next month. The Republic's team manager Eoin Hand will be at Tolka Park to assess Sheedy's form.

Hanrahan, a 22-year-old commerce student, has just completed his finals. He is an aggressive, left-sided attacker and, in the opinion of many good judges, *the best young* footballer in Ireland. Manchester United and Everton are among a number of first division clubs anxious to accomodate his desire to *play professional football*. "I know they will be watching me tonight," he acknowledges.

Less than a hundred miles from Tolka Park, the two most powerful clubs in Ireland, Linfield and Shamrock Rovers, meet in the *European Cup in Belfast. Here, the* football will take second place, what matters most being that the occasion is not used by sectarian blackguards with a point to make. It tells you *much about life in this country that* Shamrock Rovers, normally the best supported club in the south, have travelled without their supporters who fear the consequences of *entering the environs of Windsor* Park.

# Johnston to stay loyal

Sydney (AP) – Craig Johnston confirmed yesterday that he intended to continue his career with Liverpool, folloing reports from London that the Chelsea chairman, Ken Bates went to Australia last week to try to lure Johnston away from the English champions. Johnston also revealed he had rejected an approach from Aston Villa.

*Johnston* and his *wife, Jenny*, expect their first baby early next month and are determined the child *will* be born in Australia.

Mr Bates is reported to have *offered* Johnston a *lucrative* contract, but the midfield player said that any comment on the offer would have to come from Chelsea. "As far as I'm concerned, there is no dispute *with Liverpool and I had a* very good talk with manager Joe Fagan on Monday night," he said.

"The club is sympathetic about *my problems* and I think they even appreciae the stand I've taken.

# TV trouble for Halifax

By a Special Correspondent

Halifax Town yesterday revealed that the first leg of their Milk Cup second round tie against Tottenham Hotspur is to be televised: and *immediately landed themselves* in trouble with the League. The news that highlights of the all-ticket game would be shown on BBC Television's *Sportsnight* programme came from the club's vice-chairman, Don Crowther.

He addmitted to having made the disclosure in an attempt to sell ground advertising space for the game. *But his move* could have repercussions for the struggling fourth division side. A League spokesman said: "We will obviously have to look into this. It is most unusual for a club to behave like this. The normal practice is that a non-live televised game is not revealed until after kick-off time, so that the gate is not affected. It's a *regulation* which was *made* to protect the home club."

## Schools football

# Early goal sets Eton on their way

By George Chesterton

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| Eton | 2 |
| *Westminster* | 0 |

By virtue of a goal in each half, Eton emerged as the clear winners in this early season match at Vincent Square. They had attacked from the kick-off and rushed Westminster into early errors.

After five minutes, Gladstone pushed the ball into the penalty area for Hardman to run onto, and he side-stepped Lacey in the Westminster goal to score.

Westminster did their best to settle down, but the Eton defence was well marshalled by their *captain, Evans-Lombe, three years* in the team and the outstanding player on the field.

In the second half, Westminster went on the attack, and Goldring *produced their first serious shot* at goal from the edge of the area. Drawbell played well for them in midfield and pushed through some good passes.

*However, halfway* through the second half, Zagoritis, in the Eton goal, cleared to Montgomerie on the right wing, who lobbed over a high cross which was held up in the wind and drifted *just* out of Lacey's reach for Eton's second goal.

This misfortune inspired Westminster to make three good attacks, from the first of which Zagoritis was forced into a brilliant tip-over save. The closing stages finished with Eton again on the attack.

ETON: A Zagoritis; G Elliot, N Evans-Lombe, S Martyn, T Brown, M Montgomerie, O Asika, C Erith, J Hardman, F Bowman-Shaw, R Gladstone, (sub: J Thomas).
WESTMINSTER: A Lacey; F Conte, S Anderman, S Drawbell, D Cope, R Dean, B Sullivan, T Stagg, T Horan, T Goldring, P Thomson, (sub: J Levy).

Brian Elliott has taken over control of the Milk Race from Bill Squance, who has organized the round-Britain event for the last 16 years.

# Rowell suffers injury setback

Gary Rowell, who has been troubled by a knee injury since joining Norwich on a free transfer from Sunderland in the summer, *limped off* during a reserve match at Ipswich yesterday. With Keith Bertschin injured, Rowell had hoped to make his first team debut for Norwich at home to Stoke tonight.

## FOR THE RECORD

### GOLF

CRUDEN BAY: Schools championship: qualifying round: 221: Peterhead Academy. 247: Robert Gordon College. 248: Fraserborough Academy, Ellon Academy. Best individual: 70: S Bannerman (Peterhead).

PGA TOUR: Leading money winners (US unless marked): 1, T Watson $471,175; 2, M O'Meara $370,236; 3, T Kite $345,402; 4, F Couples $321,201; 5, G Norman $310,230; 6, A Bean $307,580; 7, B Lietzke $302,404; 8, P Jacobsen $295,025; 9, L Trevino $282,907; 10, G Morgan $281,948.

CARDIFF: Welsh professional championship: Leading final scores: 135: K Jones 69, 66. 138: A Griffiths 67, 69. 138: K Williams 72, 66; I Woosnam 70, 68; G Tickell 70, 68. 140: D Creamer 71, 69; P Parkin 69, 71. 142: S Cox 72, 70. 143: A Dodman 71, 72; M G Mouland 71, 72. 144: R Doig 73, 71; L Farmer 73, 71. 145: M Walters 74, 71; J Lewis 73, 72; D J Jones 72, 73; D Poole 72, 73; J Barnett 70, 75.

### AMERICAN FOOTBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Miami Dolphins 21, *Buffalo Bills 17.*

### FOOTBALL

ALBANIAN: Labinoti 1, Partizani 0; 17 Nentori 1, Scanderbeg 1; Besa 1, Dinamo 2; Besldiha 0, Flamurtari 0; Naftetari 1, Vllaznia 1; Lokomotiva 0, Luftetari 1; Tomori 0, Traktori 0.

### RIFLE SHOOTING

BISLEY: Berkshire Open Championship: 1, R Mundy (Maidenhead) 193/15; 2, M Fugeman (Windsor) 193/13; N Suffield-Jones (Bradfield) 192. Berkshire Closed Championship: 1, Fugeman 193/49; 2, Mundy 193/48; 3, Suffield-Jones 192. Clifford Debnes Trophy (Long range): 1, Mundy 98; 2, N Tremlett (Windsor) 97; 3, A Ayres (Windsor) 95.

### TENNIS

BORDEAUX: Passing Shot Tournament: First round: J Brown (US) bt R Arguello (Arg), 7-6, 6-3; D Perez (Uruy) bt F Luna (Sp), 6-3, 6-1; P Slozil (Cz) bt P Rebolledo (Chile), 3-6, 6-3, 6-3; C Mazzadri (It) bt J Gunnarsson (Swe), 6-1, 6-1; C Castellan (Arg) bt F Maciel (Mex), 6-4, 4-6, 6-0; V Pecci (Par) bt S Simonsson (Swe) 3-6, 7-5, 6-4; G Forget (Fr) bt B Arrini (Iran) 6-3, 6-4; J Higueras (Sp) bt C Freyss (Fr) 6-4, 6-1; T Allan (Aus) bt P Portes (Fr) 4-1, abandoned; A Yonis (Arg) bt T Benhabiles (Fr) 4-6, 6-1, 6-1; J Nystrom (Swe) bt L Courteau (Fr) 7-5, 6-3; P Arraya (Peru) bt B Willenborg (US) 7-5, 6-1; M Mecir (Cz) bt J Navratil (Cz) 2-6, 6-4, 6-3; F Cancellotti (It) bt M Vajda (Cz) 6-1, abandoned.
GRAND PRIX POINTS: Leading standings: 1 J McEnroe (US), 2,918 pts; 2 J Connors (US), 2,593; 3 I Lendl (Cz), 2,037; 4 A Gomez (Ec), 1,721; 5 M Wilander (Swe), 1,328; 6 H Sundstrom (Swe), 1,020; 7 T Smid (Cz), 909; 8 A Krickstein (US), 881; 9 A Jarryd (Swe), 830; 10 J Nystrom (Swe), 809.

WTA earnings (US unless stated): 1, M Navratilova, $2,025,256; 2, C Lloyd, 441,027; 3, H Mandlikova (Cz), 412,965; 4, P Shriver, 391,390; 5, W Turnbull (Aus), 180,470; 6, M Maleeva (Bul), 173,132; 7, K Jordan, 160,008; 8, H Sukova (Cz), 155,443; 9, B Potter, 132,365; 10, C Kohde (WG), 131,399. British placings: 14, J Durie, 105,963; 18, A Hobbs, 93,444.

SAN FRANCISCO: Grand Prix tournament: First round: L Duncan (US) bt Tim Gullikson (US) 6-2, 6-3; Tom Gullikson (US) bt P McEnroe (US) 6-4, 7-6 (7-5); M Doyle (US) bt R Rixon (US) 6-3, 6-3; T Moor (US) bt G Michibata (US) 7-6 (8-6), 3-6, 6-3; B Scanlon (US) bt P Rennert (US) 6-3, 6-3; J Lloyd (GB) bt V Amritraj (India) 7-5, 6-3; B Gilbert (US) bt Wally Masur (Aus) 6-3, 6-4; M Bauer (US) bt T Mayotte (US) 6-4, 1-6, 6-3.

FORT LAUDERDATE: Women's International tournament (*US unless stated*): Qualifying match: M J Fernadez bt P Teeguarden 6-4, 6-3. First round: B Potter bt M Quinlan 6-7, 7-6; K Rinaldi bt M Lou Piatek 7-6, 5-7, 6-3; M Torres bt K Shaefer 6-1, 6-2; T Phelps bt S Walsh 6-4, 6-2; E Bergin bt White 6-4, 4-6, 7-6. L Bonder bt E Sayer (Aus) 5-7, 6-3, 6-1; W Turnbull (Aus) bt C Benjamin 7-6 (7-3), 6-3.
GENEVA: Grand Prix tournament: First round: *C Meyer (Switz)* bt J Carlsson (Swe) 7-5, 6-1; J Chak (CZ) bt A Filol (Chile) 7-6, 7-6; S Colombo (It) bt E Sanchez (Sp) 6-3, 6-3; E Bengoechea (Arg) bt P Hjertquist (Swe) 6-4, 3-6, 6-2; A Tous (Sp) bt Rivas (Arg) 7-6, 7-6; L Pimek (CZ) bt K Carlsson (Swe) 2-6, 6-2, 6-3.

### RUGBY UNION

SCHOOLS MATCH: King Edward's, Bath 27, *Shebbear 3.*

### ROAD RUNNING

NEW MILTON, New Forest marathon: 1, M Mason, 2hr 32min 44sec; 2, M O'Connor, 2:39.44; M Gosney, 2:40.56. Half-marathon: 1, N Popplewell, 1:09.10.

### BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Toronto Blue Jays 5, Boston Red Sox 4; Detroit Tigers 7, Milwaukee Brewers 3; New York Yankees 12, Baltimore Orioles 7; Chicago White Sox 7, Minnesota Twins 3; Kansas City Royals 10, California Angels 3; Oakland Athletics 5, Texas Rangers 3; Seattle Mariners 3, Cleveland Indians 2.
NATIONAL LEAGUE: San Diego Padres 3, Cincinatti Reds 2; Philadelphia Phillies 2, New York Mets 1; Los Angeles Dodgers 9, Atlanta Braves 0; Houston Astros 5, San Francisco Giants 3.

### SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: Reading 42, Sheffield 36.
WOLVERHAMPTON: Marlets Marathon: 1, P Rayn (Wolverhampton), 24; 2, S Wigg (Oxford), 22; 3, S Cross (Cradley Heath), 20.

### SQUASH RACKETS

SINGAPORE: Singapore Open championships: Men's singles, first round: M Bodimeade (GB) bt J Gul (Pak) 9-6, 9-4, 9-2; K Smith (GB) bt K Sng (Sing) 9-2, 9-4, 9-1; D Lloyd (GB) bt Z Abidin (Sing) 10-8, 10-8, 9-4. B Bostrom (GB) bt J Gornerup (Swe) 10-8, 9-1, 9-0.

### YACHTING

LARGS: Double-handed class: 470: Fourth race: 1, Italy (*A Bacchiette and M Nivea*); 2, Canada (S Meszaros and C De Heinrich); 3, Canada (K Johnson and G Johnson). Fifth race: 1, Italy; 2, *United States (D Dudas and C Fisher)*; 3, Netherlands (T van de Vooren and H Stavenuiter). Single-handed class: Laser: *Fourth race*: 1, United States (L Jewell); 2, United States (A Wardell); 3, Denmark (S Madsen). Fifth race: 1, United States (Jewell); 2, (A Fryer); 3, Denmark. Third race in both classes postponed due to conditions.
POOLE: J24 national championships: Third race: 1, Just Enuff (E Baird, US); 2, Jam (G Roscoe); 3, Senjola (E Warwick). Fourth race: 1, Just Enuff; 2, Ghost (C Smith); 3, Loder (E Owen).

### LACROSSE

CHELTENHAM: Tour matches: West 3, United States 8; Midlands 2, United States 16; West 8, Midlands 2.

## BADMINTON

# First opponent humbled by Miss Troke

From a Special Correspondent, Jakarta

Helen Troke, the European and Commonwealth champion, seeded to become the first English singles player to reach the semi-finals of the *world cup, began her campaign here* yesterday as though she meant to waste no time. She took only 15 minutes to dispose of Lin Hui-Hsu, the champion of Taiwan, 11-0.

*She* unleashed, a *little* uncharacteristically, overhead reversed drops, and disguised cross courts and possessed a greed for points that bordered on the vindictive.

England's new number one man, Nick Yates, was outplayed. His 15-5, 15-5 defeat by the 1980 All England champion, Prakash Padukone, was not surprising, however, because it came after a long lay-off with a knee injury. The England *number* three, Steve Butler, looked rather sharper but was nevertheless beaten 15-7, 15-2 by Luis Pongoh.

## IN BRIEF

# Cammish may retire after collision

Britain's leading time-trial cyclist, Ian Cammish, is considering giving up the sport after being the victim of a hit-and-run driver while on a training run last week. Cammish, aged 27, suffered a broken collarbone, concussion and two broken ribs in the accident near his home of St Ives, Cambridgeshire.

GOLF: Peter McEvoy has been *recalled to the Great Britain* and Ireland team to play in the world amateur championship for the Eisenhower Trophy in Hongkong from November 7 to 10. McEvoy, a 31-year-old from *Birmingham*, produced an impressive display in the home internationals in Scotland last week.
TEAM: D Gilford (Trentham Park), P McEvoy (Copt Heath), G McGimpsey (Bangor), C Montgomerie (Ilkley).

TENNIS: The second day of competition at the open tournament in Geneva, sponsored by Martini, was rained off yesterday. The matches were rescheduled for today.

RUGBY: Argentina's foreign ministry is to urge the country's rugby union to prevent about 20 players from touring South Africa, diplomatic sources said yesterday. Argentina plans to raise its claims to *the Falklands Islands* at the *United* Nations, and does not wish to be seen violating the UN resolution which forbids sporting links with South Africa.

MOTOR RACING: Niki Lauda, twice world champion and leading the 1984 *championship*, is in serious negotiations to leave McLaren and drive for Renault next season, a Renault spokesman confirmed yesterday. However, Renault are also talking to other leading *drivers*.

LACROSSE: The United States *touring team*, beaten 9-8 by England on Friday, received another surprise at Cheltenham yesterday against the West. Although they won the match 8-3, they trailed 2-0 early on. In a second *match* they overwhelmed the Midlands 16-2.
RESULTS: West 3, United States 8; Midlands 2, *United States 16; West 8, Midlands 2.*

BADMINTON: Scotland and Sweden will *meet* in an international on November 22 at the newly-opened Wishaw sports centre in Lanarkshire. The Swedes, who defeated Scotland 3-2 in the European championships in April, *will also compete* in the Famous Grouse Scottish international championship in Edinburgh from November 23 to 25.

OLYMPIC GAMES: The mayor of Paris, Jacques Chirac, said yesterday that if his city were allowed to *host the 1992 Games they would be* funded jointly by the state and private enterprise. He was speaking in Tokyo. The Los Angeles Games were run without state aid.

# Today's rugby fixtures

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCHES: Bridgend v Llanelli (7.15); Cardiff v Penarth (7.15); Cross Keys v Pontypridd (7.0); Newbridge v Gloucester (7.15); Swansea v Ebbw Vale (7.0); Tredegar v Abertillery (7.0).
REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Cornwall v Royal Navy (*at Penzance and Newlyn RFC, 6.15*).
TOUR MATCH: Middlesex v Munster (at Richmond Athletic Ground, 5.30)

RUGBY LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION: Featherstone Rovers v Leeds; Widnes v Leigh.

RUGBY UNION

# Rives is world leader for the showpiece with England

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Jean-Pierre Rives, captain of France in 30 international championship matches until he gave way to Dintrans for this year's summer tour to New Zealand, will lead the World XV which plays England on September 29 to commemorate 75 years of rugby at Twickenham. His squad will come together on September 26, and will train during the next two days.

His opposite number for England remains an unknown quantity. Wheeler, the Leicester hooker, and last season's championship captain, was unavailable for the tour to South Africa and has not yet played first team rugby this season; Scott, captain in South Africa, is still not certain of his place since England regard him as a lock, and Cardiff continue to play him at No 8.

Moreover, Scott was injured playing for an invitation XV in a centenary match against Wilmslow on Sunday, and missed the England squad training at Gloucester on Monday. His absence in any capacity was the more noticable because of those who had travelled a great distance to attend, even those who are injured and could not participate such as Cook, the West Hartlepool prop, and Cusani, the Orrell lock.

Both Pearce (Northampton) and Brain (Coventry) joined the squad to begin with, but neither could complete the evening, both carrying leg injuries. Preedy, the Gloucestershire loose head prop, pressed into service by his club as a tight head, was also troubled by a back injury, adding further to England's woes regarding tight forwards.

Cusani seems likely to need a cartilage operation which will prevent him from playing this month and possibly the international against Australia in November. In his absence, and that of Syddall, the Waterloo lock who is on holiday, Dooley of Preston Grasshoppers was added to the squad and worked well.

Dooley, a policeman who has not yet played for Lancashire's senior side, has been highly regarded by Richard Greenwood, the national coach who also coaches Preston, for some time. He also did well in a losing cause when his club played Orrell last week, jumping against the mountainous Kimmins.

Another uncapped player to impress on a night when the elements too turned against England was Smith, the Moseley tight head prop. He went with the England under-23 party to Spain in May, and has obviously worked hard on his fitness to achieve such a respectable time in the 3,000 yard run with which the evening closed.

Assuming Wheeler does not get an unexpected recall, and acknowledging the difficulty in regarding Scott as a tight forward after years of international rugby as a number eight, the most experienced tight forward they have is Bainbridge. It may be that the elder Redfern (Leicester), capped as a replacement last season, will play against the World at tight head prop, though neither he nor his younger brother, Stuart, were able to attend training in Gloucester, the one because of car breakdown, the other because of illness.

Several potential England players will be on view when Middlesex play Munster at Richmond this evening in the last of the Irish province's tour matches. They lost to Surrey on Sunday, but beat London Irish on Monday.

● Paris (AFP). – Jerome Gallion will miss France's five match tour of Japan. The scrum-half dislocated his right shoulder in squad training and has been replaced by the uncapped Guy Ramon of Narbonne.



Rives: revisit

## Burnhill has operation

Steve Burnhill, the 20-year-old Roundhay centre who toured with England in the summer, will not play until November following a knee operation to remove a cyst. Burnhill was troubled by the cyst in South Africa but thought the problem was tendonitis.

● Nigel Melville, the British Lions and England scrum-half who has had five knee operations in the past two years, continues his comeback on Saturday, Melville, 24, moves up from Wasps' third XV to the seconds, the Vandals, for the match against Leicester's second string, at Sudbury.

● Leicester will be without their captain Ian Smith for two weeks. He has a hairline fracture of the hand.

CYCLING

## Anti-hero comes out on top

By John Wilcockson

There was a mixed reception for Phil Thomas from a large crowd in Glasgow on Monday night after the Liverpool professional clinched overall victory in the centre championship sponsored by Kellogg's for the second year running. Thomas, the anti-hero of British cycling, finished second in the 24 mile race around Geroge Square, beaten by Danny Clark, of Australia, but this was enough for him to displace Malcolm Elliott from the yellow jersey.

Elliott, from Sheffield, had started this last event of the series one point ahead of his arch rival, but he seemed over-confident. Coming along the final straight into the square, he took the lead much too soon. "I thought I'd got it," he said, "but I was, perhaps, a bit overgeared."

Clark, who was out of contention overall, said: "I am really proud of that. I've trained hard all this week with three races in Belgium."

Coming into this final race, Thomas and Elliott were separated by one point, and whoever won the final sprint would be the overall winner. The race was the fastest of the six race series, and none of the many attacks bore fruit.

RESULTS: 1 D Clark (Halford's) 24 miles in 46 minutes 32 seconds; 2 P Thomas (Falcon); 3 M Elliott (Raleigh-Weinmann); 4 S Joughin (Moducel); 5 I Banbury (Moducel); 6 J Kershaw (Wightman-Fibrax). Final positions: 1 Thomas 33 points; 2 Elliott 33; 3 Joughin 29; 4 Kershaw 27; 5 A Pelper (Peugeot) 24; 6 P Bayton (TI Tower) 23.

BOARDSAILING

## Wylie stays on the right line

By John Nicholls

By gaining two more good placings, a first and a third, Bruce Wylie, of Australia, maintained his early form on the second day of the world youth championship in the Solent yesterday.

In conditions that were ideal for the standard of the competitors, with a north-westerly breeze of around 12 knots, Wylie was third in the morning race and achieved a worthy, if narrow victory, in the afternoon. The early race was won by Anders Bringdal, of Sweden, who was fourth in the afternoon.

Both of the Soviet competitors gained a second place, looking far more confident than they had in the more boisterous conditions of Monday. Each of the 21 competing nations was invited to enter two boys and one girl in the event, but not all of them filled their quota. There are nine girls altogether, with the best performance so far being the 26th placing by Vicki Shanahan, of Ireland, in yesterday's early race.

RESULTS: (Subject to protest): Third race: 1, A Bringdal (Swe); 2, A Dele (USSR); 3, B Wylie (Aus); 4, E Jaspers (Neth); 5, K Budig (WG); 6, C Lawrence (Aus). British placings: 19, S Goody; 38, S Keeler; 42, Miss N Pym. Fourth race: 1, Wylie; 2, N Ganzhanko (USSR); 3, P Wirtz (It); 4, Bringdal; 5, T Foyen (Nor); 6, D-J Coljee (Neth). British placings: 20, Goody; 36, Keeler; 44, Pym.

CRICKET

## India name two squads led by Gavaskar

New Delhi (Reuter). – India's cricket selectors yesterday chose their squads for the five one-day matches against Australia in India from September 28, and the Test series with Pakistan next month. the squads will be led by Sunil Gavaskar,

ONE-DAY INTERNATIONALS: S Gavaskar (captain), Kapil Dev, R Shastri, D Vengsarkar, S Khanna, G Parkar, S Patil, R Binny, M Prabhakar, C Sharma, K Azad, S Kirmani, Madan Lal, A Patel, B S Sandhu.

PAKISTAN TOUR: Gavaskar (captain), Kapil Dev, Khanna, Kirmani, A Gaekwad, Parkar, Vengsarkar, S Patil, M Amarnath, Sharma, R Binny, Madan Lal, M Singh, S L Yadav, Shastri, Sandhu.

● Five past and present English Test cricketers are in a world team to play the West Indians past and present in six one-day challenge matches in Trinidad and Tobago later this month.

H PERSUAD'S WORLD XI: Mushtaq Mohammad (captain), Sarfraz Nawaz, Sadiq Mohammed, G Mendis, N Cowans, D Patel, D Bairstow, B C Broad, B Bedi, Abdul Qadir, N Foster, D Steele.

WEST INDIANS: R Kanahai (captain), D L Haynes, W W Davis, D Kallicharran, M A Holding, H A Gomes, J Solomon, R Fredericks, R A Harper, V Holder, C Ramparsad, H Nanan.

RUGBY LEAGUE

## Trophy attracts record sponsorship

By Keith Macklin

Sponsorship for this season's John Player Special Trophy will be a new record at £75,000, with the winner receiving £10,000, the runner-up £5,000 and beaten semi-finalists £2,500 each.

Reg Parker, the new chairman of the Rugby League, said: "The 25 per cent increase this year has enabled us to provide a general increase in the prize structure for professional clubs and the inclusion of the two leading amateur sides. The money allocated to the capital development fund will be used for loans and grants for ground improvements."

● Fulham, who play their first "home" game at the National Sports Centre, Crystal Palace, on October 6, let their supporters see their new home yesterday, holding the first of six open days there.

RACING: CECIL AND PIGGOTT TAKE THE HONOURS AT YARMOUTH

# Phardante aims for Royal Lodge

Guy Harwood's comeback continued at Lingfield yesterday when Phardante won the Burr Stakes to become his 77th winner of the season. Despite a near shutdown in mid-season when his 140-strong Pulborough stable was badly hit by a virus, Harwood now has his third successive century well in sight with 43 Flat racing days left for 1984.

Phardante, unbeaten in his three previous races, extended the sequence when leading two furlongs out for Greville Starkey, safely holding the challenge of Mac's Reef by one and a half lengths.

Harwood said: "This is a very nice colt and keeps going the right way. The plan has always been the Royal Lodge Stakes which would be his final outing of the season. I could also run St Hilarion in the Royal Lodge.

Phardante was maintaining the form of Harwood's juveniles after Young runaway at Doncaster last Friday and St Hilarion at Goodwood on Monday.

The Pharly colt, who seems sure to get ten furlongs and even further as a three-year-old, is rated a 25-1 chance for the Derby by Hills, the same price as St Hilarion. Harwood won the Royal Lodge Stakes with Ela-Mana-Mou in 1978 and Norwick in 1981.

While the Harwood winners roll on, those for the leading jockey, Steve Cauthen, are virtually deep frozen. With only two to show so far in September, Cauthen's misery continued at Lingfield where his four rides produced two seconds (Mac's Reef and Newsells Park), a fourth and a fifth.

Mike Blanshard, the Lambourn trainer, landed his second double since setting up in September, 1979. Guahar (10-1) won the Middlesex Apprentice Handicap by half a length and Taj Singh (7-1), the Nutfield Maidens Fillies' Stakes (Div 1) by the same margin.

Luminate, who failed to sho the form expected of him in the spring, maybe like so many Busted offspring – a late developer. Off the course since May, Luminate was brought back to action by John Dunlop in the Hartfield Stakes and won by one and a half lengths to give Willie Carson his 68th success of the season. "Luminate may be an autumn horse and can win again this season," Dunlop said.

At Yarmouth Henry Cecil and Lester Piggott were in good form, landing a 43-1 double with Field Conqueror and That's Your Lot.

Cecil, who has sent out more winners than any other trainer this season, has no superiors when it comes to producing a horse fit to do himself justi first time out. Not many punters were interested in Field Conqueror when he went to post for the Lavender Linen Maiden Stakes having drifted from 9-4 to 9-2, but Cecil had done the job once again and, sweetly handled by Lester Piggott, Field Conqueror gradually inched ahead of Penny Red in the last three furlongs to win by threequarters of a length.

That's Your Lot got home by the minimum margin from the 20-1 outsider Honeyman to defy top weight in the Jack Leader Memorial Nursery.



Phardante, extending his winning sequence in Lingfield's Burr Stakes (photo: Chris Cole)

# Advance and Hatim to provide Tree with rich pickings

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

As Jeremy Tree is not in the habit of sending his horses on such a long journey as the one from Beckhampton in Wiltshire, to Ayr just for the benefit of their health, the presence of ADVANCE (2.30) and HATIM (3.00) at the Scottish course today is significant.

Hatim, once a leading fancy for this year's Derby following that good run in the Mecca-Dante Stakes at York in May, ought to win the Doonside Cup if he is anywhere near as good as was once thought. Yawa, who was a useful performer last year, would be a big danger at his best, especially at these weights, but he appears to have lost his enthusiasm so Hatim is preferred.

Sore shins eventually prevent Hatim from running in the Derby. Coupled with the firm ground that all trainers have experience this summer, that sure sign of immaturity has restricted him to only one race in the meantime which he duly won at Ascot in July. But now that the ground has eased Hatim should be in his element.

Like Hatim, Advance, my selection for the Royal Caledonian Hunt Cup, is a lightly-raced colt. But when he won at York in June he, too, showed the sort of potential that ought to see him home today at the expense of Windpipe, who having won three times at Ayr already.

Had Henry Candy's stable been in any sort of form this season I would have recommended a good bet on SNEAK PREVIEW to win the Eglington and Winton Memorial Handicap. But as things are the suggestion is only a tentative one.

But VAN DYKE BROWN, from Henry Cecil's in-form yard, must be a good bet to win the Kilkerran Amateur Riders' stakes in the most capable hands of his trainer's wife, Julie. The combination have already romped away wih similar races at Thirsk, Lingfield and Beverley this summer.

However against that impressive backdrop Van Dyke Brown is unlikely to start at very appealing odds so today's nap selection is entrusted to TYROLLIE to win the Corn Exchange Nursery Handicap at Brighton.

Nicky Vigors' filly won a similar event at Folkestone in July before being just beaten in another at Bath at the beginning of this month. In between times, though, she caught a virus, which creates a blood disorder and had to be laid off work. As a result of that she was probably a little rusty at Bath where she was caught virtually on the line by Musing. Now she is napped to take her revenge on that filly and beat Al Sylah and Castle Tweed as well.

Steve Cauthen, Castle Tweed's rider, can improve his championship prospects even more by winning on MAUMANN (3.00) and DOUBLE SCHWARTZ (4.00).

At Yarmouth there promises to be a most interesting race for the Golden Jubilee Challenge Trophy featuring Llinos, Chaumiere and Torwar, who finished first, third and fourth in a similar race at York recently, as well as One Way Street and Wylfa, who are also talented performers.

Having disapproved of the way that Darrel McHargue was treated over the Commanche Run affair in the St Leger, my hat, and many more besides, I'm sure, will go in the air if Torwar wins this race at the expense of One Way Street. I am a great admirer of Piggott's riding but the way that McHargue was treated was despicable, and I hope to see him win now on TORWAR and, perhaps, take the Hastings Maiden Stakes as well on CAPRICORN SON, ironically wearing the Commanche Run colours.

## Course specialists

YARMOUTH

TRAINERS: H Cecil 59 winners from 174 runners: 33.90%; L M Cumani 37 from 162: 22.80%; W A O'Gorman 19 from 97: 19.60%.
JOCKEYS: L Piggott 73 winners from 231: 31.60%; W R Swinburn 15 from 106: 14.20%; G Baxter 17 from 136: 12.50%.

AYR

TRAINERS: J Dunlop 17 winners from 56 rides: 30.40%; J Hindley 27 from 97: 27.80%; M H Easterby 34 from 130: 26.20%.
JOCKEYS: Pat Eddery 13 winners from 52: 25.00%; J Lowe 28 from 200: 14.80%; M Birch 30 from 219: 13.70%.

BRIGHTON

TRAINERS: M R Stoute 23 winners from 66: 37.90%; G Harwood 25 from 105: 23.80%; P Cole 35 from 172: 20.30%.
JOCKEYS: W Carson 53 winners from 241: 22.00%; G Starkey 32 from 183: 17.50%; P Cook 23 from 146: 15.80%.

## AYR

GOING: good
Draw: 7f-1m, low numbers best

**2.0 KILKERRAN AMATEUR RIDERS STAKES (£1,465: 1m 7f) (12 runners)**

3 02000-0 COOL DECISION (C) (C Platts) Miss S Hall 7-11-0 ........ C Platts 9
5 13310-0 HIGH CANNON (CD) (N Granata) S Norton 4-11-0 ........ Sandy Brock 5 6
9 163000 RED DUSTER (C Barber-Lomax) T Fairhurst 4-11-0 ........ T Easterby 5
10 /41400- SOLARES (J Berry) J Berry 4-11-0 ........ Jo Berry 8
12 000332 TINOCO (Mrs J Bigg) R Hollinshead 4-11-0 ........ A Hollinshead 5 11
14 322-213 JERRY CAN (Shaikh Mohammed) H Thomson Jones 3-10-13 ........ T Thomson Jones 7
15 111241 VAN DYKE BROWN (H Demetriou) H Cecil 3-10-13 ........ Julie Cecil 1
16 0 ALWAYS HOPEFUL (Pacejewel Ltd) C H Bell 6-10-7 ........ Margaret Bell 10
18 444304- ESTEEM (D Chapman) D Chapman 4-10-7 ........ S Robson 5 3
19 640/0-2 SECRET FINALE (P West) M Lambert 5-10-7 ........ NON-RUNNER 2
20 400024 VYNZ SUPREME (J McLaren) W H Williams 4-10-7 ........ I McLaren 5 12
22 000 GLENDYKE (W Storey) W Storey 5-10-4 ........ Celia Radband 5 4

1983: Path Of Peace 7-11-10 Mr C Platts (Evens fav) C Thornton 11 ran.

4-6 Van Dyke Brown, 100-30 Jerry Can, 13-2 High Cannon, 8 Cool Decision, 16 others.

FORM: HIGH CANNON (10-0) 9½l 5th of 10 to Wonder Wood (7-11) at Doncaster (2m 2f, £9,008, good to firm, Mar 28). TINOCO (9-1) 1l 2nd of 17 to Silent Dancer (9-7) at Nottingham (1m 5f, £2,031, firm, Sept 10). JERRY CAN (9-7) 16l 3rd of 14 to Baynoun (9-7) at Newmarket (1m 4f, £3,034, good to firm, May 4). VAN DYKE BROWN (10-0) beat Graphics Solar (10-10) 12l at Beverley (2m, £900, good to firm, Aug 29, 10 ran), with TINOCO (10-13) 3l away 3rd. SECRET FINALE (8-7) neck 2nd of 11 to Val Climber (9-10) at Catterick (1m 7.5f, £1,676, firm, May 2).
Selection: VAN DYKE BROWN.

## Ayr selections

By Mandarin

2.0 Van Dyke Brown 2.30 Advance 3.0 Hatim. 3.30 Russian Winter 4.0. Sneak Preview. 4.30 Bellinote.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.0 Van Dyke Brown 2.30 Nagarro. 3.30 Broadwater Music. 4.00 Oranella. 4.30 Lightning Dealer.

By Michael Seely

2.0 HIGH CANNON (nap). 2.30 Florida Son.

**2.30 ROYAL CALEDONIAN HUNT CUP (Handicap: £5,072: 1m) (16)**

2 333300 FLORIDA SON (D) (R Ogden) J Hanson 5-9-7 ........ K Darley 11
3 240120- COMEDY FAIR (D) (Mrs M Nowell) M H Easterby 4-9-6 ........ M Birch 2
5 001000 HIT THE HEIGHTS (Essl Commodities) G Lewis 3-9-4 ........ M L Thomas 3
7 112110 WINDPIPE (CD) (Duke of Sutherland) J W Watts 6-9-0 ........ B Thomson 12
8 4-310 ADVANCE (D) (K Abdulla) J Tree 3-9-0 ........ Pat Eddery 16
9 41-2002 TALK OF GLORY (P Deal) H Candy 3-8-12 ........ T Williams 5 10
10 014020 SINGING HIGH (B) (CD) (Northumbria Leisure) J Fitzgerald 4-8-11 ........ W Ryan 3 5
11 321200 SCOUTSMISTAKE (CD) (Mrs G Hallett) B McMahon 5-8-11 ........ A Clark 9
12 341040 SILLY BOY (CD) (N Bycroft) N Bycroft 4-8-10 ........ S Perks 1
14 000003 NAGARRO (C) (Mrs C Jones) W Musson 4-8-7 ........ A Mackay 7
15 003000 EASTFORM (D) (W Spiers) D Chapman 4-8-7 ........ D Nicholls 14
16 0-00000 LEASE OF LIFE (D) (Mrs J Furbank) C Thornton 4-7-13 ........ M Tebbutt 7 13
19 003000 SKYBOOT (Mrs B Robinson) E Carter 5-7-13 ........ J Lowe 4
20 123240 BAY SANDFORD (CD) (R Ross) C H Bell 5-7-8 ........ N Carlisle 8
21 230000 COLEY (B) (D) (R Coleman) Denys Smith 5-7-7 ........ M Fry 15
22 201003 ROSSETT (D) (Mrs S Craig) T Craig 5-7-7 ........ L Charnock 6

1983: Windpipe 5-7-11 N Connorton (14-1) J W Watts 12 ran.

3 Advance, 4 Talk Of Glory, 5 Hit The Heights, 13-2 Florida Son, 8 Singing High, 10 Scoutsmistake, 12 Windpipe, Nagarro.

FORM: WINDPIPE, about 5l 5th (9-2) to Mill Plantation (8-6) over 9f last time when HIT THE HEIGHTS (9-7) was 8th, previously (9-12) 1l, Ayr winner from BOY SANDFORD (8-9), when ROSSETT (8-4) was beaten a total of 9½l in 6th (8f, £2,264, good, Aug 7, 14 ran). Earlier WINDPIPE (9-1) had Rossett (7-9) ½l SKYBOOTS (8-9) another 1½l in 4th, and EASTFORM (9-8) a further 3½l in 4th, and EASTFORM (9-8) a further 3½l away last of 8 when scoring at the same track (8f, £2,511, good to firm, July 17). ADVANCE 10th (8-9) to Verchinina (8-0) last time, had been ½l York winner (9-0) from Tocave-Botte (8-0) (8f, £8,506, good to firm, June 16, 14 ran). TALK OF GLORY (8-0) 2½l 2nd of 9 to Reuvel (8-3) at Newmarket (8f, £3,501, good to firm, Aug 25). SINGING HIGH (8-4) neck 2nd, Nagarro (8-2) another 1½ away 3rd and FLORIDA SON (9-3) further 2½l back 8th of 9 Ripon (8f, £5,696, good to firm, Aug 27). Earlier SINGING HIGH (8-4) beat FLORIDA SON (9-7) ½l into 3rd and SILLY BOY (8-10) another 3l into 4th at Ayr (8f, £5,795, good, June 23, 10 ran).
Selection: FLORIDA SON

**3.0 DOONSIDE CUP (£10,399: 1m 3f) (4)**

1 133202 BASIL BOY (B Haywood) R Hannon 5-9-8 ........ B Thomson 3
2 121320 LAK LUSTRE (BF) (L Sloan) R Fisher 3-8-8 ........ J Lowe 2
6 020300 YAWA (B) (Elsha Holding) G Lewis 4-8-7 ........ M L Thomas 4
9 2-21 HATIM (K Abdulla) J Tree 3-8-3 ........ Pat Eddery 1

1983: Belladier 3-7-12 W Newnes (7-2) H Candy 6 ran.

10-11 Hatim, 100-30 Yawa, 9-2 Lak Lustre, Basil Boy.

FORM: BASIL BOY (10-0) 2l 2nd of 5 to My Tony (9-10) at Epsom (1m 2f, 2848, good, Aug 28). LAK LUSTRE (8-8) over 4½l 7th of 10 to Sarab (8-13) at Doncaster (7f, 3675, good Sept 13). YAWA (9-6) about 11l 6th of 8 to Strawberry Road (9-6) at Baden-Baden (1m 4f, 41772, good, Sept 2). Hatim (9-0) very easy 4l winner from Camden Milly (8-11) at Ascot (1m 2f, 6472, good to firm July 27, 6 ran).
Selection: HATIM.

**3.30 LAURENT PERRIER HANDICAP (£2,653: 5f) (10)**

2 030300 BROADWATER MUSIC (D) (P H Betts Ltd) M Tompkins 5-9-9 ........ W Woods 5 6
10 030000 NELLIE BLY (D) (Mrs R Hutchinson) M H Easterby 3-8-4 ........ K Hodgson 2
11 311200 RAPID MISS (D) (D Cooper) Mrs N Macauley 4-8-4 ........ Pat Eddery 9
13 003203 RUSSIAN WINTER (B) (CD) (Calmac Ltd) A W Jones 9-8-0 ........ B Crossley 5
15 0-202o0 CAPTAIN TEMPEST (T Cox) T Barron 4-7-12 ........ T Williams 5 8
16 032000 FAIRGREEN (D) (D Chapman) D Chapman 6-7-7 ........ S P Griffiths 5 4
17 0-90000 BOOM SHANTY (B) (D) (G Brown) T Craig 3-7-7 ........ NON-RUNNER
18 000000 JOLIE COURTISANE (CD) (R White) J S Wilson 4-7-7 ........ N Carlisle 10
20 030000 PRIONSAA (C) (Dowager Lady Bute) W H Williams 6-7-7 ........ L Charnock 1
21 400402 MEL MIRA (T Craig) T Craig 4-7-7 ........ A Mackay 7

1983: Pelong 3-9-13 B Raymond (8-1) M Jarvis 13 ran.

3 Broadwater Music, 7-2 Russian Winter, 4 Nellie Bly, 5 Rapid Miss, 9 Fairgreen, 10 Captain Tempest, Mel Mira, 16 others.

FORM: FAIRGREEN (8-9) 8l 8th of 16 to Over The Rainbow (9-12) at Beverley (5f, £413, good to firm, Aug 30), with NELLIE BLY (9-4) 13th. RAPID MISS (7-7) 9th of 22 to Karen's Star (7-12) at Doncaster (5f, £9,982, good, Sept 13), with BROADWATER MUSIC (8-4) 10th. RUSSIAN WINTER (7-10) about ½l 3rd of 13 to Charlemagne (8-6) at Haydock (5f, £3,501, firm, Sept 7), with CAPTAIN TEMPEST (7-8) 2½l away 7th. JOLIE COURTISANE (8-4) 12th of 18 Royal Question (8-8) at Hamilton (6F, £1,881, good to firm, Sept 3). PRIONSAA (8-12) about 10 ½l 5th of 8 to China Gold (10-0) at Edinburgh (5f, £1,643, good to firm, Aug 3). MEL MIRA (9-6) 2½l 2nd of 9 to Godolphin (9-8) here (5f, £880, good, Aug 7).
Selection: RUSSIAN WINTER.

**4.0 EGLINTON AND WINTON MEMORIAL HANDICAP (£4,175: 2m 1f 90yd) (12)**

3 441040 JACKDAW (J Bigg) R Hollinshead 4-9-7 ........ W Ryan 3 12
5 432113 TREASURE HUNTER (Mrs A Robson) J Fitzgerald 5-9-4 ........ Pat Eddery 5
6 01-0032 SNEAK PREVIEW (BF) (H Gross) H Candy 4-9-2 ........ T Williams 5 10
7 3-142 BURANNPOUR (E Weinstein) A Jarvis 4-8-13 ........ A Clark 7
9 430-010 ORANELLA (Mrs H Plumbly) M Tompkins 4-8-10 ........ B Crossley 3
10 102001 TREE MALLOW (Rockton Developments) M Lambert 6-8-5 ........ S Perks 9
11 40-1212 TRICKSHOT (B) (C) (BF) (D Hunt) C Tinkler 5-8-5 ........ M Birch 1
12 0-42321 SNOWY RIVER (Duke of Northumberland) Mrs L Peacock 4-8-4 ........ M L Thomas 2
15 d34110 HARLYN BAY (S Norton) S Norton 3-8-2 ........ J Lowe 11
18 0-04020 TERN (G Leatham) M H Easterby 3-7-12 ........ L Charnock 6
19 222223 LUXURY (M Walsh) E Carr 5-7-7 ........ N Carlisle 8
20 00414 PATH'S SISTER (BF) (Miss B Duxbury) C Thornton 3-7-7 ........ A Mackay 4

1983: Auld Lang Syne 4-7-9 L Charnock (12-1) Mrs M Nesbitt 15 ran.

11-4 Sneak Preview, 100-30 Burannpour, 5 Treasure Hunter, 13-2 Harlyn Bay, 8 Jackdaw, 9 Tern, 10 Path's Sister, 12 Luxury, Oranella, 16 others.

FORM: TERN (7-8) short head 2nd of 10 to Water Cannon (9-0) at Ripon (2m 2f, £3003, good to firm, Aug 28), with TREASURE HUNTER (9-8) 15l away 3rd SNEAK PREVIEW (8-12) neck 2nd of 10 to Fitzpatrick (9-10) at Warwick (2m 2.5f, £3350, good to firm, Aug 27) BURANNPOUR (9-7) short head 2nd of 8 to Prince Santiago (8-10) at Newcastle (2m, £2421, good to firm, Aug 27). TRICKSHOT (8-12) 1 ½l 2nd of 9 to The Friend (8-13) at Newcastle (1m 4f, £2099, firm, June 29). SNOWY RIVER (9-3) beat Rainbow Lady (8-4) 8l at Pontefract (2m 1f, £1402, firm, Sept 11, 10 ran). Selection: SNOWY RIVER

**4.30 ROYAL CALEDONIAN HUNT MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o: £3,158: 1m) (9)**

2 04 ANA WASSLAAWI (Shaikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) J Hindley 9-0 ........ J Lowe 6
4 00 COQ HARDI (R Ogden) J Hanson 9-0 ........ C Dwyer 7
5 0 DOUBLE BENZ (T Bennett) M H Easterby 9-0 ........ M Birch 1
8 033 DREAM MERCHANT (R Richards) C Brittain 9-0 ........ M L Thomas 2
11 GRUNDY'S PET (Mrs J Pike) Denys Smith 9-0 ........ M Fry 3
12 00 HOMBRE (G Reed) C Thornton 9-0 ........ J Bleasdale 4
15 322 LIGHTNING DEALER (N Mandell) P Kelleway 9-0 ........ Pat Eddery 5
20 000 SMART IN BLACK (W Stevenson-Taylor) J Berry 9-0 ........ K Darley 8
24 2 BELLINOTE (R Sangster) J W Watts 8-11 ........ B Thomson 9

1983: Macarthurs Head 9-0 W Carson (8-11 fav) J Dunlop 18 ran.

9-4 Ana Wasslaawi, 3 Lightning Dealer, 100-30 Bellinote, 9-2 Dream Merchant.

FORM: ANA WASSLAAWI (8-7) about 3l 4th of 5 to reach (8-7) at Newmarket (6f, £7,908, good to firm, Aug 25). DREAM MERCHANT (8-7) about 2l 3rd of 12 to Northern Pride (8-7) at Haydock (6f, £3,279, firm, Sept 7). LIGHTNING DEALER (8-11) 2l 2nd of 9 to Phardante (9-4) at Kempton (7f, £3,438, good to firm, July 19). BELLINOTE (8-11) 2½l 2nd of 12 to Limbo (9-0) at Newcastle (7f, £2,168, good to firm, Aug 25).
Selection: ANA WASSLAAWI.

## Yarmouth results

Going: Good

2.15 (6f) 1, FOOLISH TOUCH (C Dwyer, 7-1); 2, Cartoon (R Still, 50-1); 3, Hubberdair (P Robinson, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 fav Mango May Sing, 11-2 Bold Deceiver, 6 Favouritism, Ronans Pearl (4th), 12 Corinne Russell, 14 Manor Farm Susie, 20 Comtec Prince, Devil Wind (ref to race), 25 Persian Knight, 33 Dolly's Pet, 50 Al's Nap, Lean Streak (5th), Go Gill, Loddon's Lass, Tudor Rix (6th). 18 ran. 12l, 1½l, ¾l, 5l, ½l. K Stone at Malton. TOTE: £12.80; £3.50, £5.30, £3.80. DF: £399.00. CSF: £282.26. Bought in for 7,000gns.

2.45 (1m 6f) 1, FIELD CONQUEROR (L Piggott, 9-2); 2, Penny Red (R Cochrane, 33-1); 3, Isola Verde (W R Swinburn, 3-1). ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Strundy, 7 Pottstown, 16 Saint Acton (5th), 20 Luckiffe, Working-Pearl (6th), 25 Cluedo, Poona Express (4th), 33 Beltway, Lidgate Belt. 12 ran. ¾l, ½l, ½l, ¾l, 20l. H Cecil at Newmarket. TOTE: £4.50; £2.30, £4.80, £1.70. DF: £112.80. CSF: £117.48.

3.15 (7f) 1, THAT'S YOUR LOT (L Piggott, 7-1); 2, Honeyman (P Robinson, 20-1); 3, Midnight Gas (J Mercer, 5-4 fav). ALSO RAN: 4 Pontevecchio Due, 5 Diesi (6th) 9 Initial Premise, 10 Destour (4th), 12 Qualitair Flyer (5th, 33 The Howard. 9 ran. NR: Kip. Sh hd, 4, nk, ¾l, nk. H Cecil at Newmarket. TOTE: £5.00; £2.00, £3.20, £1.50. DF: £38.20. CSF: £112.75. Tricast: £292.04.

3.45 (1m) 1, PENDOR! (M L Thomas, 20-1); 2, Worlingworth (T Ives, 10-1); 3, Apetist (R Hills, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 jt fav Longcross, Aconitum (5th), Vain Deb (5th) 7 Peter Martin, 9 Casabel, 10 The Game's Up, 14 Alcinous, 25 Chicago Bid, Bryony Rose (4th. 12 ran. 3l, hd, 1½l, 3l, 8l. N Callaghan at Newmarket. TOTE: £21.10; £3.80, £2.10, £5.10. DF: £94.00. CSF: £186.08. TRICAST: £2,601.20.

4.15 (6f) 1, THERE THERE (M L Thomas, 6-1); 2, Third Movement (P Robinson, 33-1); 3, Below The Line (T Ives, 15-2); 4, Good N Sharp (A Clark, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Today And Tomorrow, 15-2 Track Deal (refused to race), 8 Tacheron, 9 Bargouzine, 10 Pink Robber, 12 Superb Princess, 14 Jacoran, 20 Harvest Princess (6th), 33 Red Lory, Seigneur, Fill The Jug, Flodabay, Ridals Choice. 17 ran. Hd, 6l, 1½l, 1l, sh hd. W O'Gorman at Newmarket. TOTE: £4.90; £1.10, £4.20, £4.60, £2.10. DF: £180.90. CSF: £222.77. Tricast: £1,827.96.

4.45 (1m 3f 100yd) 1, TRUST THE IRISH (M Banner, 9-2); 2, County Line (R Hills, 4-1 jt fav); 3, Connaught Prince (R Guest, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 4 jt-fav Grand Teton, 9-2 Appeal To Arms (4th), 6 Pelt Pain, 8 Rebuba (5th). 10 Relatively Smart, 20 Ned Pepper, 50 Chancey Gardner, Eucratas, Vaguely Sharp, Sanzeme (6th), Gift Star, Vitalina. 15 ran. 2, 6l, ¾l, 1½l. A Stewart at Newmarket. TOTE: £7.60; £2.50, £2.20, £8.60. DF: £52.90. CSF: £22.72. TOTE DOUBLE: £31.90. TOTE TREBLE: £87.65. PLACEPOT: not won.

## Lingfield Park

Going: good

2.15 1, GAUHAR (J Kennedy, 10-1); 2, Bucks Fizz Music (P Mose, 13-2); 3, Open The Box (L Johnsey, 7-1); 4, Jonesee (I Todd, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 fav Fast Service, 10 American Writer (5th), 11 Rear Action, 14 Melissa Claire (6th), Sperrin Mist, 16 Close To You, Dem An Doza, Miss Hamilton, Try To Remember, 33 Zamina, North Stoke Boy, Kalyoub. 16 ran. ½l, 2½l, 6l, 1½l, ½l. M Blanshard at Lambourn. TOTE: £8.70; £1.90, £1.10, £1.50, £1.50. DF: £19.30. CSF: £57.69. TRICAST: £441.51. 1m 23.32sec.

2.45 (1m 2f) 1, SPRING PURSUIT (T Quinn, 6-5 fav); 2, Mango Man (Pat Eddery, 9-4); 3, Miami Dancer (B Rouse, 11-2). ALSO RAN: 14 Mist Over Pendle (4th), Meramore (5th). 5 ran. 8l, 2l, nk, 6l. P Cole at Lambourn. TOTE: £1.80; £1.30, £1.60. DF: £2.20. CSF: £3.81. 2m 15.8sec. Sold Mr Stewart McColl 4,500 gns.

3.15 (7f 140yd) 1, PHARDANTE (G Starkey, 5-6 fav); 2, Mac's Reef (S Cauthen, 11-2); 3, Sand Icon (W Carson, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Grooming (5th), 12 Dan Thatch (4th), 16 Stan The Man (6th), 33 Albarg, 66 Billion Boy, Welsh Beacon. 100 Blair's Winnie. 10 ran. 1½l, hd, 1l, ½l, 7l. G Harwood at Pulborough. TOTE: £2.10; £1.20, £1.70, £1.80. DF: £3.90. CSF: £6.22. 1m 31.77sec.

3.45 (5f) 1, TAJ SINGH (J Reid, 7-1); 2, Chaise Longue (T Quinn, 11-2); 3, Lingfield Lady (T Quinn, 11-2). ALSO RAN: 13-8 fav African Setting, 7 Priors Song (5th), 12 Amalinde, 14 Petit Bot (4th), 16 Maiden Bidder (6th), 25 Sally O'Brien, Sweet Rosa, 33 Tenerife, 50 Beaugesto, Lady Songe, Sebrosa. 14 ran. ½l, 2l, nk, 1l, 1l. M Blanshard at Lambourn. TOTE: £5.80; £1.50, £1.90, £1.90. DF: £25.50. CSF: £44.39. 1m 49 sec.

4.15 (1m 4f) 1, LUMINATE (W Carson, 11-2); 2, Newsells Park (S Cauthen, 5-4 fav); 3, Kafoualise (G Starkey, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 10 Pharoah's Treasure, 16 Islander (6th), 20 King Harry, Myricaga (5th), 33 Abduah, Aunt Judy, 50 Merman (4th), Steve Grey. Fyedd, Eloq. 14 ran. 1½l, 1½l, 2l, sh hd. J Dunlop at Arundel. TOTE: £4.80; £1.70, £1.20, £1.50. DF: £5.50. CSF: £12.75. 2m 38 sec.

4.45 (6f) 1, GREEN SPIRIT (B Raymond, 13-2); 2, Quick Fan (Pat Eddery, 13-8 fav); 3, African Music (J Reid, 11-1). ALSO RAN: 6 Miss Otarian (5th), 7 Shahee (6th), 8 Corrals Lady, 12 Carlops, 20 Darling Daughter (4th), 25 Kimble Princess, Liffey Rose, Pearl Pet, Thunderspeed, 33 Brady's Lady, Candy Rose, Just Blair, Miss Judd, Pamela Comes Home. 17 ran. Nk, 2l, 1½l, 1l, ½l. M Jarvis at Newmarket. TOTE: £8.30; £2.80, £1.40, £5.60. DF: £15.00. CSF: £18.15. 59.79 sec. TOTE DOUBLE: £10.15. TREBLE: £99.75. JACKPOT NOT WON. PLACEPOT: £11.20.

## Redcar

Going: good to firm

2.30 (1m 1f) 1, INDIAN DAWN (J Lowe, 3-1); 2, Highview (D Nicholls 8-1); 3, Scoop The Kitty (M Wood 5-2 fav). Also Ran: 11-2 Springle (4th), 6 High Reef (6th), Starjay, 20 Mr Music Boy, 33 Culmnata, Import Duty, Lindrick Passion, Minnie Fuller (5th). 11 ran. Hd, 1½l, 12l, ½l, ½l. S Norton at Barnsley. Tote: £3.60; £1.10, £3.10, £1.90. DF: £24.40. CSF: £24.84. No bid. Stewards' inquiry, result unaltered.

3.0 (1m 3f) 1, ELARIM (C Coates 8-1); 2, K-Battery (J Lowe 9-2); 3, Rose Of The North (K Darley 11-1). Also Ran: 3 fav Quissassanno (4th), 11-2 Fenchurch Colony (5th), 6 Maladhu (6th), 7 Mentor Mast, 14 Sol Of Rise, 25 Rural Scene, Roger Nicholas, ATS Prince. 11 ran. Nk, 3l, ¾l, hd, 3l. T Fairhurst at Middleham. Tote: £6.60; £1.70, £2.50, £3.70. DF: £17.70. CSF: £41.36. Tricast: £355.09.

3.30 (1m 6f 150yd) 1, BIDVERA (M Birch 11-2); 2, Favourite Nephew (Paul Eddery 3-1 fav); 3, Chatter (M Hills 7-1). Also Ran: 5 Old Alex (5th), 13-2 Remainder Girl, 7 Royal Craftsman, 10 Mountaineer, 20-1 Flip The Coin, Quiet Fall (6th), 25 Just Quail (4th), 33 Atkinsons, Northgate Venture, Jimpea. 13 ran. NR: Willow Twig. ½l, ½l, 3l, 1½l, 1l. M Prescott at Newmarket. Tote: £5.50; £1.80, £1.50, £2.50. DF: £6.00. CSF: £21.76.

4.0 (7f) 1, CABELLEROS (S Perks 9-1); 2, Top O'Th'Lane (D Nicholls 8-1); 3, Playtex (R Street 3-1 fav); 4, Bold Rowley (M Hills 11-2). Also Ran: 10 Firespark, Single Hand (6th), Stern (5th), 14 My Haven, 20 Errol Emerald, Highest Tender, 25 Prince Oberon, Imperial Lantern, Marshall Red, Melowen, Mr Rose, Royal Export, 33 Sobriquet, Jack's Lad, Native Son. 19 ran. NR: Valley Mills. Tapoucha. Nk, hd, sh hd, 1l, ½l. R Hollinshead at Upper Longdon. Tote: £5.80; £1.40, £2.20, £1.50, £1.60. DF: £57.90. CSF: £79.19. Tricast: £250.73.

4.30 (6f) 1, RAHASH (M Hills, 5-1); 2, Swinging Gold (S Webster, 6-5 fav); 3, Rosie Dickins (W Ryan, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Tuxford Hideaway (6th), 7 Runager (4th), 10 Record Flyer, 12 Bold Way, 14 Eollam, 16 Bed And Breakfast (6th), 33 Owen's Pride. 10 ran. ¾l, 1½l, 2l, ½l, 2l. R Sheather at Newmarket. TOTE: £4.90; £1.40, £1.30, £1.70. DF: £4.00. CSF: £12.12. TRICAST: £31.48.

5.0 (1m) 1, ACE (M Hills, 12-1); 2, Hunters Fen (W Ryan, 25-1); 3, Tophams Security (S P Griffiths, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Iworoski, 7 Theresa, 9 Baby Bourbon (4th), 10 Sun Up, 12 Sick Jim, 14 Quorn Rocket, Romana, 16 Gilling, 20 Sound Diffusion, Strawly (6th), Western Revival, Caffre Lily, 25 Ardonald, Delaware River, Ebor Grey, Trerew (5th), 33 Prince Jim, Warthill Boy, Bitta Magic, 50 My Dominion, Hundred Days, Empire Sands, Happy Cash, Rare Bend, Miss Papaam, Reesette. 30 ran. 4l, nk, hd, ¾l, 4l. TOTE: £7.80; £2.70, £45.80, £5.90. DF: £113.50. CSF: £272.80. PLACEPOT: £573.05.

## BRIGHTON

GOING: good to firm
Draw: 5f-6f, low numbers best

**2.0 COLDEAN MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o: colts & geldings: £2,172: 7f) (16 runners)**

1 00 ANOTHER BING A Moore 9-0 ........ A McGlone 9
2 0000 AQUATHATCH B Swift 9-0 ........ J Reid 1
6 2 BATON PASSER G Harwood 9-0 ........ G Starkey 5
7 4024 BAY DANCER M Hinchliffe 9-0 ........ S Cauthen 12
10 0022 COLONEL DOW D Morley 9-0 ........ B Rouse 6
11 CONCORDE AFFAIR H Cecil 9-0 ........ Paul Eddery 4
15 0 EAGLE MOSS H Beasley 9-0 ........ S Cottis 15
16 0009 EASTER RAMBLER H Beasley 9-0 ........ D McKay 16
18 0 GOD'S HOPE B Hanbury 9-0 ........ W Carson 13
20 00 ILLOVO (B) D Murray-Smith 9-0 ........ M Wigham 11
21 0 JACK'S ISLAND C Brittain 9-0 ........ - 7
23 003 LAKH P Cole 9-0 ........ T Quinn 3
24 000 MAFTIR R Smyth 9-0 ........ S Whitworth 5 2
30 6 SOUTHERN STORM B Wise 9-0 ........ G Dickie 7 14
31 TASHONYA C Horgan 9-0 ........ P Cook 8
34 THE SCOURGE A Ingham 9-0 ........ P Waldron 10

1983: Bastille 9-0 B Rouse (6-1) J Dunlop 16 ran.

15-8 Baton Passer, 3 Concorde Affair, 11-2 God's Hope, 15-2 Lakh, 10 Colonel Dow, 12 Jack's Island, Bay Dancer, 16 others.

## Brighton selections

By Mandarin

2.0 Baton Passer. 2.30 Burgundy Star. 3.0 Maumann. 3.30 TYROLLIE (nap). 4.0 Double Schwartz. 4.30 New Zealand.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.0 Concorde Affair. 2.30 Burgundy Star. 3.0 Miss Kuta Beach. 3.30 Castle Tweed. 4.0 Jeema.

**2.30 HOLLINGBURY SELLING HANDICAP (3-y-o: £838: 1m) (10)**

2 1601 BURGUNDY STAR (CD) P Kelleway 9-8 (5 ex) ........ Gay Kelleway 5 7
3 0000 HONOURABLE ADMIRAL D Arbuthnot 9-7 ........ M Hills 3
5 0000 SWIFT TEMPO R Hannon 9-4 ........ A McGlone 4
6 0003 HAMPTON WALK J Holt 9-3 ........ P Waldron 8
7 0000 GREY BEARD (B) (BF) A Ingham 9-1 ........ J Reid 5
9 0024 NELSON'S LADY C Horgan 9-0 ........ I Salmon 7 6
10 0-000 MOP FAIR P Cole 9-0 ........ T Quinn 10
11 0040 BERTORELLA G Pritchard-Gordon 9-0 ........ W Carson 1
12 0030 GASTONOMIC (B) D Morley 8-10 ........ B Rouse 2
13 0030 YOUNG BUCKERS M Haynes 8-5 ........ P Cook 9

1983: Prince's Heir 8-4 T Quinn (7-2) P Cole 8 ran.

9-4 Burgundy Star, 7-2 Nelson's Lady, 9-2 Young Buckers, 6 Mop Fair, Hampton Walk, 8 Bertorella, 12 others.

**3.0 JIM TAYLOR MEMORIAL HANDICAP (£2,737: 1m 2f) (13)**

2 0000 COME ON THE BLUES (C) C Brittain 5-9-8 ........ J Reid 13
3 3281 MISS KUTA BEACH (D) M Stoute 3-9-3 ........ G Starkey 7
4 01-00 RA NOVA (D) Mrs N Kennedy 5-8-11 ........ L Jones 7 8
5 0410 SASSANOCO (B) (D) H Thomson Jones 3-8-10 ........ R Hills 11
6 0018 REDDEN (CD) (BF) B Swift 6-8-9 ........ J Mercer 9
7 1310 TIZZY D Arbuthnot 3-8-9 ........ M Hills 3
8 0020 BIRDWOOD (B) (C) J Dunlop 3-8-8 ........ W Carson 10
9 0124 MAUMANN (CD) B Hills 3-8-8 ........ S Cauthen 12
11 3600 NIMORSE A Moore 5-8-6 ........ B Rouse 4
13 3320 RED HILL GIRL (D) J Bethell 3-8-5 ........ - 2
18 0100 PRONUPTIA BRIDE D Dale 3-7-11 ........ S Whitworth 5 1
19 4402 WESTGATE STAR G Harwood 5-7-11 ........ P Moss 7 6
21 0003 KAUKAS (CD) G Balding 5-7-10 ........ T Quinn 5

1983: Big Pal 5-8-1 P John (9-2) G Harwood 10 ran.

2 Miss Kuta Beach, 4 Maumann, 11-2 Tizzy, 8 Westgate Star, 10 Sassanoco, Redden, 12 Birdwood, 14 Come On The Blues, 16 others.

**3.30 CORN EXCHANGE NURSERY HANDICAP (2-y-o: £2,905: 6f) (9)**

1 0211 AL SYLAH (D) H Thomson Jones 9-7 ........ R Hills 7
5 0212 CASTLE TWEED A Stewart 9-1 ........ S Cauthen 8
10 T021 MUSING (C) B Swift 8-10 (7 ex) ........ G Dickie 7 6
12 0230 DOWNSVIEW A Moore 8-8 ........ M Wigham 3
15 0018 MATCHSTICK MAN H Beasley 8-4 ........ D McKay 9
16 4430 DRAMACON D Morley 8-8 ........ B Rouse 4
19 9020 POLLY'S TEAHOUSE C Benstead 8-2 ........ S Whitworth 5 2
20 0044 GRAND UNION R Hannon 8-1 ........ A McGlone 1
21 8012 TYROLLIE N Vigors 8-1 ........ P Cook 5

1983: Miami Prince 9-2 T Quinn (10-1) P Cole 12 ran.

9-4 Al Sylah, 11-4 Musing, 4 Castle Tweed, 5 Tyrollie, 9 Grand Union, 12 Matchstick Man, 16 others.

**4.0 ST ANN'S WELL STAKES (£2,201: 6f) (9)**

1 2300 OUT OF HAND (B) (D) D Dale 5-10-1 ........ G Starkey 8
2 0000 SYLVAN BARBAROSA (D) P Mitchell 5-10-1 ........ B Rouse 9
4 0-402 DOUBLE SCHWARTZ (D) C Nelson 3-9-11 ........ S Cauthen 2
7 0003 JEEMA H Thomson Jones 3-8-8 ........ R Hills 6
8 2000- BOLD FORT (D) R Holder 5-9-1 ........ J Reid 5
11 0400 TENDER TRADER (CD) (B) (BF) G Lewis 5-8-1 ........ P Waldron 3
12 0020 CLOSE TO YOU (C) R Howe 4-8-12 ........ NON-RUNNER
13 2000 DERRY RIVER (B) D Laing 3-8-11 ........ W Carson 7
14 1-000 KARAROW H Collingridge 3-8-11 ........ J Mercer 1

1983: Overtrick 6-8-12 M Rimmer (7-2 jt fav) G Huffer 9 ran.

1-2 Double Schwartz, 9-2 Sylvan Barbarosa, 7 Jeema, 10 Tender Trader, 14 Derry River, 20 others.

**4.30 VARNDEAN MAIDEN STAKES (£822: 1m 4f) (12)**

1 3030 DANCER'S EMULATION M Masson 4-9-3 ........ W Carson 10
5 000 COLLISTO K Brassey 3-8-8 ........ R Hills 8
6 0003 DAHAAM R Johnson Houghton 3-8-8 ........ S Cauthen 2
7 4-000 DOUBLE OPTION G Harwood 3-8-8 ........ G Starkey 5
8 00-00 HAUTES TERRES A Moore 3-8-8 ........ M Wigham 7
12 2-000 OPENING BARS D Oughton 3-8-8 ........ B Rouse 12
13 600 WASSEN C Horgan 3-8-8 ........ P Cook 11
14 2303 ACCURACY G Balding 3-8-5 ........ W Higgins 9
20 000 LIGHT THATCH D Arbuthnot 3-8-5 ........ D McKay 4
21 4440 MARNONESSE R Voorspuy 3-8-5 ........ J Reid 6
22 3420 NEW ZEALAND P Walwyn 3-8-5 ........ J Mercer 1
24 0620 RENDSLEY BELLE M Usher 3-8-5 ........ A McGlone 2

1983: Pfroyal 3-8-5 J Reid (9-1) R Smyth 9 ran.

5-2 Double Option, 7-2 New Zealand, 9-2 Dahaam, Rendsley Belle, 6 Accuracy, 8 Collisto, 12 others.

## YARMOUTH

GOING: good
Draw: no advantage
Tote = Double: 3.15, 4.15. Treble: 2.45, 3.45, 4.45.

**2.15 NEWTOWN SELLING HANDICAP (£995: 7f) (20 runners)**

2 600000 NIEKA (BF) M McCormack 3-9-8 ........ C Rutter 7 7
4 0040 MADAME DE COOMBE P Feilden 3-9-3 ........ A Shoults 7 13
8 000-0 NAHAWAND (B) D Dale 4-8-13 ........ A Bond 1
9 0420 GENTLE STAR (B) (BF) Mrs K Ivory 5-8-13 ........ R Cochrane 3
10 0000 STAR REVUE R Hoad 3-8-12 ........ B Raymond 19
12 00-00 IRISH CAVALIER (BF) P Makin 4-8-11 ........ G Baxter 4
14 0000 LITTLE MIN (B) W Guest 3-8-11 ........ E Guest 14
16 0000 GEM GEM (BF) C Spares 3-8-9 ........ N Day 20
17 0004 FLEUR-DE-CHRIOSE (B) R Hobson 3-8-8 ........ K Bradshaw 5 5
18 0034 SING GALVO SING H Westbrook 3-8-8 ........ T Ives 10
19 0034 HAZEL COVE M Blanshard 3-8-8 ........ W R Swinburn 18
21 3400 BIG LAND Mrs N Macauley 5-8-8 ........ R Still 12
22 0044 JECKEL E Eldin 6-8-5 ........ - 16
23 0002 CEDEES M Tompkins 4-8-5 ........ R Curant 15
25 0004 SONG TO SINGO Rex Carter 4-8-5 ........ A Weiss 5 17
27 000-0 RUSTLE OF SPRING R Griffiths 5-8-5 ........ M Fozzard 7 8
28 0-000 PAT ON THE BACK G Blum 4-8-5 ........ - 6
30 4324 LYSITHEA (BF) M Prescott 3-8-3 ........ A P O'Reilly 7 2
31 0000 MARION'S DREAM (B) D Thom 3-8-2 ........ Sexton 9
32 0000- PENSYL-PAMSU C Drew 3-8-0 ........ - 11

1983: Scottish Agent 7-8-6 P Robinson (7-1) M Ryan 14 ran.

100-30 Gentle Star, 4 Ceedes, 9-2 Hazel Cove, 11-2 Lysithea, 8 Gem Gem, Jeckel, 12 Sing Galvo Sing, 15 others.

## Yarmouth selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Gentle Star. 2.45 Captain Becher. 3.15 Humberside Lady. 3.45 Torwar. 4.15 Ernie Bilko. 4.45 Capricorn Son. 5.15 Taylors Renovation.

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2.15 Lysithea. 2.45 Captain Becher. 3.15 Paras Mill. 3.45 One Way Street. 4.15 Cedar Wings. 4.45 Capricorn Son. 5-10 Sapphire Girl.
Michael Seely's selection: 3.45 Torwar.

**2.45 NORFOLK & SUFFOLK MAIDEN STAKES (£826: 1m) (17)**

2 0403 TOP OF THE MILLS Mrs C Reavey 4-9-2 ........ B Kaid 7 4
3 00/ SCOTCH MUSKET R Howe 5-8-13 ........ NON-RUNNER 17
4 0-0 AL MURTAJAZ H Thomson Jones 3-8-8 ........ T Rogers 5
5 2 CAPTAIN BECHER H Cecil 3-8-8 ........ L Piggott 3
7 004 FAARIS H Thomson Jones 3-8-8 ........ T Heller 5 8
10 ICE REEF H Thomson Jones 3-8-8 ........ A Murray 6
11 IRISH FOLLY O Douieb 3-8-8 ........ - 7
12 000 JODY'S BOY (B) B Stevens 3-8-8 ........ R Fox 11
13 0300 JOSEPH'S CAT H Collingridge 3-8-8 ........ A Barclay 13
15 0840 MOUNT CEDAR M Jarvis 3-8-8 ........ B Raymond 2
16 4032 NOBLE MOUNT G Pritchard-Gordon 3-8-8 ........ T Ives 1
17 000 SCOTS LAD P Haslam 3-8-8 ........ G Saxton 14
19 0040 VAGABUNDO M Ryan 3-8-8 ........ G Bardwell 7 16
22 002' HAUTBOY LADY W Guest 3-8-5 ........ A Bond 15
26 OSCAR'S LADY A Stewart 3-8-5 ........ M Banner 10
27 220 PRIMAVERA DANCER L Cumani 3-8-5 ........ D McHargue 12
28 0403 RELKISHA C Brittain 3-8-5 ........ P Robinson 9

1983: Legend of France 3-8-8 L Piggott (7-4 fav) H Cecil 13 ran

4-5 Captain Becher, 9-2 Irish Folly, 7 Primavera Dancer, 10 Ice Reef, 14 Faaris, Relkisha, 20 others.

**3.15 NELSON HANDICAP (£2,632 1m 3f 100yd) (12)**

1 110 INSIDER L Cumani 3-9-0 ........ D McHargue 12
3 3123 SNOW TREE B Hobbs 3-9-6 ........ G Baxter 1
6 3020 MAISSAN P Walwyn 3-9-4 ........ N Howe 8
7 0914 STARWIND J Winter 3-8-2 ........ B Raymond 5
8 1000 HUMBERSIDE LADY G Huffer 5-8-9 ........ G Carter 7 11
9 0400 SIR BLESSED R J Williams 5-8-9 ........ T Ives 7
10 2222 PURNS MILL A Stewart 4-8-8 ........ W R Swinburn 10
15 1009 NORFOLK FLIGHT (C) M Tompkins 7-8-2 ........ R Curant 2
16 0400 SEA BED (B) G Wragg 8-8-1 ........ R Fox 4
18 00-04 LITTLE EGRET R Armstrong 3-7-11 ........ - 3
19 8049 STEPPING OUT E Eldin 3-7-9 ........ G King 7 9
20 0403 NONPAREIL B Hanbury 3-7-9 ........ P Robinson 6

1983: True Heritage 4-8-5 T Ives (12-1) A Hide 9 ran.

9-4 Maissan, 3 Humberside Lady, 9-2 Insider, 11-2 Snow Tree, 8 Purns Mill, 10 Starwind, 14 others.

**3.45 GOLDEN JUBILEE CHALLENGE TROPHY (Handicap: 3-y-o: £8,168: 1m 2f) (8)**

1 1114 TORWAR (CD) L Cumani 9-7 ........ McHargue 6
2 2233 CHAUMIERE (D) R Williams 8-12 ........ T Ives 2
3 0-111 ONE WAY STREET (D) H Cecil 8-9 (5 ex) ........ L Piggott 1
5 0111 WYLFA (D) M Stoute 8-8 ........ W R Swinburn 7
7 1301 LLINOS (C, D) J Winter 8-2 (5 ex) ........ R Fox 3
9 3004 NOBLE TRAMP (C) W O'Gorman 8-0 ........ McKeown 8
10 2000 ANY BUSINESS W Musson 8-0 ........ R Curant 5
13 0000 SAMS WOOD (B) (C) T Fairhurst 7-7 ........ C Coates 7 4

1983: Thessaloniki 8-10 P Robinson (15-2) C Brittain 9 ran.

5-2 One Way Street, 100-30 Wylfa, 4 Torwar, 5 Llinos, 13-2 Chaumiere, 10 Noble Mount, 16 others.

**4.15 DENIS BUSHBY STAKES CLAIMING (Div I: 2-y-o: £2,155: 7f) (13)**

3 0003 ERNIE BILKO C Tinkler 9-1 ........ W R Swinburn 10
5 CEDAR WINGS (B) W O'Gorman 9-0 ........ T Ives 7
7 00 GLENMORE LOUIS D Dale 9-0 ........ A Bond 1
9 MASTER PLASI M Prescott 9-0 ........ C Nutter 2
11 0 ROYETZKY M Tompkins 9-0 ........ M Kettle 4
15 3100 ROYAL OCTAVE (B) B Hanbury 8-13 ........ B Raymond 5
19 GREY CORAL M Tompkins 8-11 ........ R Curant 11
21 204 MUSICAL MAIDEN R Sheather 8-11 ........ R Cochrane 12
22 0031 OCTOLAN (B) (D) N Tinkler 8-11 ........ L Piggott 9
31 0000 FULL BEAM D Thom 8-8 ........ M Miller 13
32 00 SILLY QUESTION R Hoad 8-8 ........ G Sexton 8
34 800 MADAME CONCORDE R Hannon 8-3 ........ R Fox 6
38 4043 TILLAGE R Hobson 8-1 ........ K Bradshaw 5 3

1983: Stormy Gulf 9-0 R Curant (14-1) M Tompkins 19 ran.

15-8 Ernie Bilko, 3 Musical Maiden, 5 Cedar Wings, 8 Royal Octave, 8 Octolan, 12 Master Plasi, 14 others.

**4.45 HASTINGS MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o: £2,402: 6f) (16)**

2 AUSPICIOUS STAR M Ryan 9-0 ........ M Giles 7
4 BUSTER JO G Wragg 9-0 ........ T Ives 7
5 CAPRICORN SON L Cumani 9-0 ........ D McHargue 3
7 00 DEEKAYS G Blum 9-0 ........ - 13
8 00 DONNA'S BOY (B) Mrs N Kennedy 9-0 ........ R Fox 14
10 004 EASY DAY E Eldin 9-0 ........ E Guest 5 9
11 IVORY WOOD R Sheather 9-0 ........ R Cochrane 12
12 03 KALAMANOO (B) M Ryan 9-0 ........ P Robinson 16
14 00 KYRENIA CASTLE R Armstrong 9-0 ........ - 15
15 3 MAKE STRIDES (BF) H Cecil 9-0 ........ L Piggott 4
16 NIETASCHE B Hanbury 9-0 ........ B Raymond 1
19 SNAKE RIVER P Haslam 9-0 ........ G Sexton 6
21 SYMPHYTUM G Huffer 9-0 ........ M Miller 6
22 4 TORQUEMADA M Stoute 9-0 ........ W R Swinburn 2
23 00 UNDERFIRE R Howe 9-0 ........ NON-RUNNER 11
25 00 TOLLY'S BEST Mrs C Reavey 8-11 ........ A Bond

1983: Anglemah 9-0 S Cauthen (11-4 fav) M Jarvis 15 ran.

6-4 Make Strides, 3 Torquemada, 9-2 Kalamanoo, 8 Capricorn Son, 12 Buster Jo, 14 Easy Day, 20 others.

**5.10 DENIS BUSHBY STAKES CLAIMING (Div II: 2-y-o: £2,138: 7f) (13)**

4 40 BARCHAM PRINCE W Hastings-Bass 9-0 ........ W R Swinburn 12
8 0000 HYPERBARIC R Hannon 9-0 ........ R Cochrane 2
10 84 RASPAIL M Hinchliffe 9-0 ........ A Murray 1
12 0010 SUNWOOD (D) W Elsey 9-0 ........ T Ives 11
13 0300 THAT WOULD BE NICE R Hoad 9-0 ........ Bond 8
14 03 TOPSOIL (B) R Simpson 9-0 ........ K Addie 7 7
16 ANNABEL GAY M Tompkins 8-11 ........ C Curant 9
20 JENNIFER WREN C Brittain 8-11 ........ P Robinson 10
25 1100 TAYLORS RENOVATION D Leslie 8-11 ........ M Rimmer 13
28 4011 PANIOLO (D) T Fairhurst 8-9 ........ C Coates 7 4
35 600 OKY POKEY R Hobson 8-3 ........ K Bradshaw 7 3
37 0 SAPPHIRE GIRL P Haslam 8-1 ........ G Sexton 6
39 000200 IRELAND GIRL K Ivory 7-13 ........ R Fox 5

1983: Stormy Gulf 9-0 R Curant (14-9) M Tompkins 19 ran.

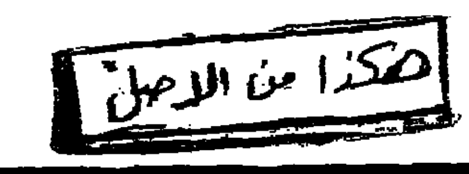
2 Paniolo, 7-2 Raspail, 4 Taylor's Renovation, 6 Topsoil, 9 Barcham Prince, 12 Jennifer Wren, 16 others.

## Blinkered first time

YARMOUTH: 4.15 Cedar Wings. 4.45 Donna's Boy, Kalamanoo.
BRIGHTON: 2.30 Grey Beard. 4.00 Out Of Hand.

● Ladbrokes and the Tote have had heavy support for Glen Na Smole for Friday's Ayr Gold Cup and John Sutcliffe's three-year old is now 12-1 from 16-1.

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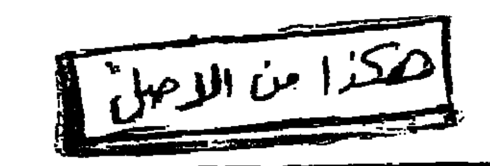
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## Property South of the Thames

**CHISLEHURST**

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**KEW.** Det 4 bed + gge and walled gdn. close Tube. £84,000 o.n.o. Tel: 01-603 3453.

**PUTNEY.** Stunning 5 bed Vict hse with pretty sth gdn. 26ft dble recep, 20ft kit/brk, 5 dble beds, bath, wc. Many features. New roof, ch, wiring. £76,500. Wkdays 788 3397. (T).

**CLAPHAM, SW4.** Choice of 2 brand new convs 2 beds. 1 recep. k & b. Prices from £38,000. Also select of flats all areas. Tel: 289 0104/5. Howard Estates.

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**HERNE HILL, SE24**
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**GREENWICH.** Well designed mod town house in lovely private square. 2 dbl beds. lge sunny garden. fine views over Greenwich. £48,500. Tel: 01-692 0597.

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£135,000
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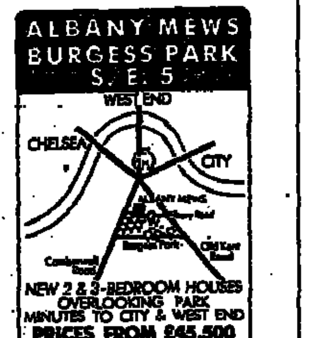
**BLACKHEATH**
Outstanding period house with fine features, in prime position, in private road, nr Village. 3 reception, 5 bedrms, cellars, garage, large garden. Freehold. Offers over £200,000.
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**BARNES VILLAGE.** Spacious 2nd fl p/b flat close common and river. Fully fitted kit. Elegant recep. 1 dble bed. Partial ch. chw. serviced. £39,000. 01-493 0077.

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**SURBITON** Detached Edwardian House. 5 beds. 3 receps, 2 bathrms, large kitchen. gas CH. garage, garden. £98,500. 01-399 9027.

**GREENWICH, SE10.** Quaint Vict cottage style house, 3 beds, bath, 2 receps. Kit. CH, original fireplaces. pretty garden. F/Hold. £45,500. Rocodells. 01-691 8731.




**FESTING ROAD, S.W.5**
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£80,000
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**CLAPHAM.** The Chase. sunny p/built 2 bed flat, plus garage. G.C.H. double glazing. fitted kitchen. carpets. lge. com garden. £47,950. Tel: 01-720 6538.

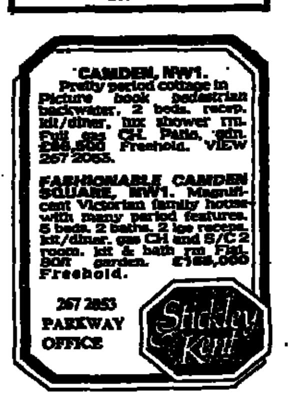
**BROADHINTON RD, SW4.** Charming 3 bed early Vict. flat-fronted cottage — large garden. £92,500. Chapelton Hoskins. 381 1065/1686.

**BATTERSEA.** Prince of Wales Drive. Sunny, peaceful, top floor flat, large bed 1, en suite shower rm, 2 further beds, lux bath, fit kit/bkfast rm, reception, dining/hall: £78,000. Particulars or viewing (01) 720 4348 evng and wk-end. (01) 606 8855 x-217 (office hrs).

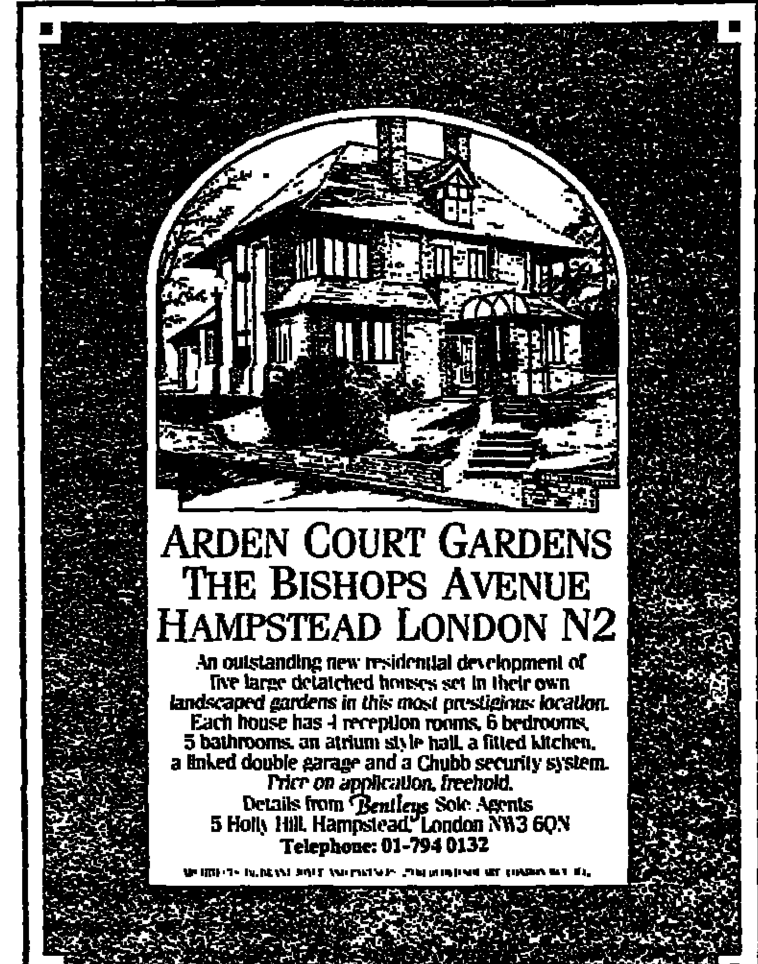
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## Property North of the Thames

**REGENT'S PARK NW1**
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**HYDE PARK.** 2 bedroom maisonette. Full width picture window on to large sunny balcony. Set in award winning gardens. Garage. £79,000.

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**ISLINGTON, N1.** Central but quiet. 8 mins Highbury Tube ...

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required
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Applications including a full curriculum vitae and the names of three referees should be sent to the Chairman of UCCA, Dr D Harrison, Vice-Chancellor, The University, Exeter EX4 4QJ, from whom further particulars may be obtained. Closing date October 26, 1984.

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# Country cottages for rich dreamers – from £14,000

By Christopher Warman
*Property correspondent*

The country cottage is firmly established in the social scene not simply as an attractive home but as the target of those not content with one house who want to get away from it all when they can.

With envious eyes cast into the countryside from the big cities, particularly London, cottages as second homes have been in strong demand for years. Despite the fact that mortgage relief is not available for them, these cottages and other such properties in the country have been increasing steadily in price to a level where only an inheritance from a long-lost uncle will enable many who covet an idyllic country cottage to satisfy their ambition.

There are exceptions, of course, which are usually in the back of beyond or almost beyond repair. They have potential if you have the patience and the money, and a good example is Woodacott Cottage, Thornbury, Holsworthy, Devon, for which Fox and Sons' Bideford office are asking £30,000. Acknowledging that it requires total modernization, they add disarmingly that "applicants are recommended not to attempt to examine the first-floor rooms since much of the roof has collapsed." It has, if you shut your eyes and imagine, six rooms, half an acre and outbuildings.

## New conversion

Hampton and Sons, who have a large number of cottages on their books, can undercut the Fox and Sons' price with four stone cottages at Cushuish, Kingston St Mary, near Taunton. They are situated at the foot of the Quantocks, with views to the Brendon and Blackdown Hills, and – not surprisingly in need of complete modernization – will cost about £14,000, £18,000, £20,000 and £25,000 through the firm's Cheltenham office.

The same branch is offering the end product of such a challenge: two newly converted cottages in the Cotswolds on the Worcestershire-Gloucestershire borders. Of Cotswold stone with mullioned windows, numbers two and three Manor Barns, Snowshill near Broadway, are as the name suggests converted from a former barn. Each has one reception room, two bedrooms and double garage and the agents are asking £58,500 and £57,000 for the two.

A little more expensive, Hampton's Mayfield office are asking £72,000 for Little Stocks, a seventeenth-century cottage at Wittersham near Tenterden, Kent. With beams throughout, it includes a sitting room, dining room, three bedrooms, and a small garden.

Oxley's Lodge, a thatched cottage at Beaulieu, Hampshire, which is for sale at £75,000 to £80,000 through Jackson and Jackson of Lymington

The Mayfield office also offers Tudor Cottage, a fifteenth-century property in the central conservation area of Rye, East Sussex. It is of timber-framed construction and has two reception rooms, four bedrooms, a roof garden and courtyard garden, and is on offer at £95,000.

In Surrey, Hampton's Guildford office is asking around £60,000 for Greenwood Cottage, a Victorian cottage which was formerly the gardener's cottage to the Tangley Mere estate at Chilworth near Guildford. This secluded property has scope for "extension and modernization", and has two reception rooms, three bedrooms, with outbuildings and a garden.

Their newly opened Farnham office has three cotages near Farnham ranging from £95,000 to £160,000 and one at Arford near Headley, Hampshire, at £79,950. This seventeenth-century property in a conservation area, is of brick and stone with exposed timbering and has two reception rooms and three bedrooms.

The prices for cottages soon reach £100,000 unless they are either very small or in need of improvement. Two cottages offered by Hampton's Cranleigh office are approaching that figure. Rectory Cottage, in the village of Alfold, dates from the eighteenth century and some modernization has been carried out. But the four-bedroom property has scope for further improvement. The Wilderness, a nineteenth-century brick-and-tile cottage with exposed timbers at Wallis Wood near Dorking also offers scope for improvement, and the two-bedroom cottage with about a third of an acre is for sale at around £80,000.

A thatched, nineteenth-century cottage near Alton, Hampshire, with fine views over farmland is for sale at £57,500 through Weller Eggar's Farnham office. Elm Cottage, Lower Froyle, has two reception rooms and two bedrooms and is offered with the encouragement that the roof space could be converted to provide another room, subject to planning permission.

The same office is asking £95,000 for Pitch Place, Thursley, Godalming, a cottage dating back to the seventeenth century, together with a barn which has been converted into an annexe. The cottage has three bedrooms and two reception rooms and the annexe has one bedroom, a sitting room and a kitchen-breakfast room. With one third of an acre, it is described – fitting the idea of the country cottage perfectly – as "an ideal weekend retreat or a charming home with enormous potential".

Further south in Hampshire, Jackson and Jackson, with the south coast and the New Forest on their doorstep, can usually offer a range of cottages in lovely surroundings. They, through their Lymington office, are asking £75,000 to £80,000 for Oxleys Lodge at Beaulieu, a quaint and thatched property which once formed the entrance lodge to a riverside home called Oxleys.

## Near the river

It is in woodland with half an acre close to the River Beaulieu, and provides a hall, kitchen, sitting room, three bedrooms and a bathroom.

The eighteenth-century coach house at Ilchester, formerly part of Ilchester Manor, is for sale through Jackson-Stops and Staff's Yeovil office at £95,000.

The coach house, with an ashlar-faced centre block, was converted in 1977 and the former stables now provide four bedrooms, two reception rooms and a games room. There is an annexe, the former dairy parlour, which is suitable for conversion, and there is a paddock of 1.8 acres.



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# A millionaire's estate for £250,000

■ Compton Verney, a 117-acre estate near Stratford-upon-Avon, whose millionaire bachelor owner Harry Ellard died at the age of 86 last Christmas Day, is for sale. Offers over £250,000 are being asked for the estate, including the Grade I listed eighteenth century mansion, chapel and stables, through Debenham Tewson and Chinnocks and Colliers Bigwood and Bewlay.

Ellard, who bought Compton Verney in 1985, built up a collection of 90 vintage cars and vehicles that he intended to rebuild "one day". They were sold in June at auction for nearly £250,000. The mansion has eight main reception rooms and nine main bedrooms, with a further 14 rooms on the second floor. The chapel was built in 1772 by Capability Brown, who was also probably responsible for landscaping the 32-acre grounds.

■ **The happily named Hugh Fish, former chief executive of the Thames Water Authority, is selling his flat in Coleherne Court, Little Boltons, London. The price for the three-bedroom flat in the block, once the home of the Princess of Wales, is £117,500 through Cluttons' Chelsea office.**

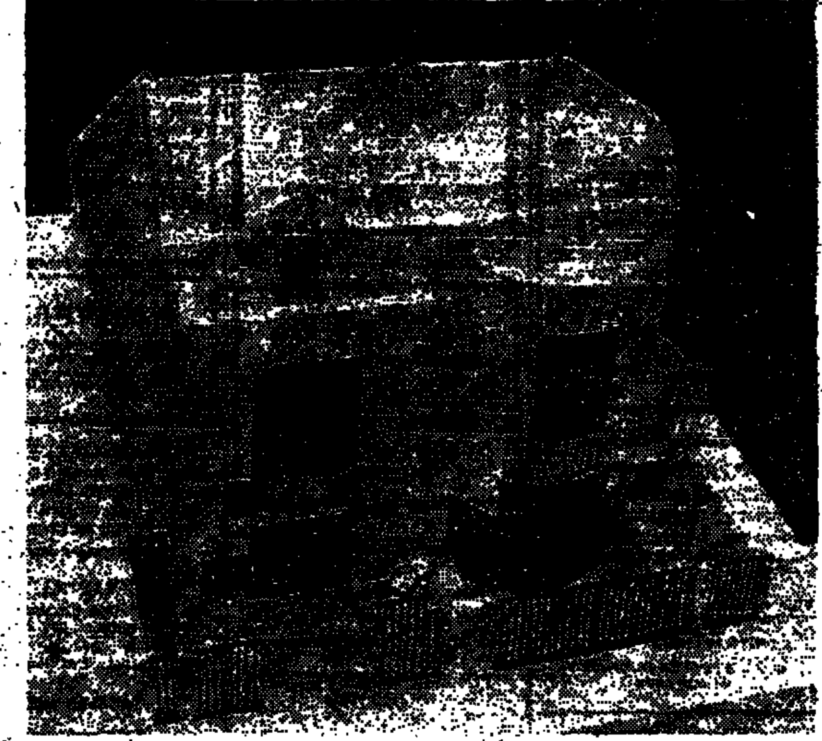
■ Brislington House, a Grade II listed mansion on the outskirts of Bristol, built in 1815, is for sale through Osmond Tricks of Bristol, who are asking for offers over £1m. It was built by Dr Edward Long Fox as Britain's first private lunatic asylum for the nobility, and in its heyday accommodated the titled insane with their valets and maidservants. More recently Brislington House has been a nurses' home, and is now surplus to the requirements of the South Western Regional Health Authority. Among uses considered for the building, which has 132 bedrooms and 13 reception rooms, are a nursing home, training college, school, hotel, offices or residential units.

■ **The manor of Lugwardine, Hereford, dating from the eleventh century and ovelooking the Wye Valley is for sale at £180,000 through Savills' Hereford office. The mansion has five reception rooms, billiard room, and 10 bedrooms.**

## Georgian folly

■ The Folly, Halford, near Shipston-on-Stour, Warwickshire, built by an eighteenth-century eccentric, is for sale at around £98,000 through Jackson-Stops and Staff's Chipping Campden office.

It was built in 1779 by Thomas Webb, whose descendants still live in the vicinity. His intention was to build a house of such a height that he could view over the adjoining hills to Stow-on-the-Wold 14 miles to the west. The two upper storeys of what was originally a five-storey house consisting of two octagonal towers were demolished at the end of the last century. The present house has two reception rooms and four bedrooms.



**An architect's design for a modern house on a site in Chelsea, intended to blend in with the nineteenth century street façades, and costing an estimated £600,000 to build**

# London: build your own

If you cannot find the house you want in the centre of London, why not buy a site with planning permission and build one to your own specifications? That is the solution suggested by Beauchamp Estates, the Mayfair agents, who are offering for sale a site in Elm Park Road, one of the pleasant residential streets in Chelsea, for £375,000.

The opportunity to build a detached house in this neighbourhood occurs very rarely, and the vendor specified that an architect's idea of how the site might be filled should be included in the sale.

Though there is no obligation on the purchaser to adopt the design, it is likely that it will at least form the basis of the luxurious house to be built there if it is not adopted totally, if only because a buyer in this bracket of the market may not have many architectural ideas of his or her own and would need help.

The design on offer is by Michael Carapetian, of Carapetian Associates, whose brief was to make maximum use of space on the 3,400 square foot site. His design, which was included in the recent RIBA exhibition British Architects Now, provides 5,200 square feet with extensive entertaining areas, garden, five bedrooms all with bathrooms, and a self-contained caretaker's suite.

It is intended that the house would be finished in stucco and plaster and painted to blend with the nineteenth-century facades in the street. The estimated cost of building the house in accordance with the architect's specification is £600,000, the luxurious equipment and finishes including marble floors and mahogany joinery.

Another architect, Cliff Nicholls and his partner, Andrew Lee, faced the similar problem of making the best use of a site when they bought a vacant plot in Pimlico. The small site, enclosed by brick walls and overlooked on three sides by four-storey buildings, needed an ingenious solution to give the house privacy, and the result is a house built round a series of garden courts.

In the architect's words, it is a "sequential" house, connecting the courts with two building wings to make a sequence of open and closed space.

The Mews House, in Moreton Terrace Mews North, London SW1, is a succession of surprises, with a brick floorscape along the main internal passageways giving an "inside-outside" feeling. The house has a tetrahedral glazed roof, and a colour theme of red, green and white, presumably to help the visitor find his way in this "mini version of the maze at Hampton Court" as it is described.

The accommodation in this extraordinary house includes three bedrooms with dressing rooms, a reception room and utility room, fitted kitchen with breakfast area, dining room with galley link to the kitchen and access to the upper roof terrace, and a large open-plan living room with a library/work area, study and conservatory area – as many areas as rooms. Sturgis and Son, of Sloane Street, Knightsbridge, London SW1, are asking £275,000 for the house, including fitted carpets, blinds and kitchen equipment. The lease is for 117 years.

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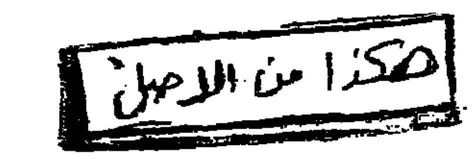
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Summaries by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

## BBC 1

6.00 Ceefax AM. News headlines, weather, traffic and sports bulletins.

6.30 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Selina Scott. News from Fern Britton at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30 with headlines on the quarter hours; sport at 6.40 and 7.40; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.45, 7.15, 7.45 and 8.15; programme preview at 6.55; a review of the morning newspapers at 7.18 and 8.18; Mike Smith with the new Top Twenty between 7.55 and 8.00 horoscopes at 8.33; ante-natal advice between 8.30 and 9.00.

9.00 Gharbar. Magazine programme for Asian women. Among today's items is a report from Lalita Ahmed on the activities and facilities available at Hounslow Multi-Cultural Centre 9.25 Ceefax.

9.45 Liberal Party Assembly 1984. Coverage of the second day's debates which include civil liberties and the Third World 10.30 Play School, presented by Carol Chell (r) 10.50 Liberal Party Assembly 1984. Further coverage of the proceedings at Bournemouth.

12.30 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and Frances Coverdale. The weather prospects come from Jim Bacon 12.57 Regional news (London and SE only: Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles).

1.00 Pebble Mill at One includes Arthur Marshall discussing his recently published autobiography, Life's Rich Pageant. Lisa Kinsman continues with her Chinese cookery course 1.45 King Rollo (r): 1.50 Bric-a-Brac (r).

2.00 Liberal Party Assembly 1984 includes a debate on economic strategy 3.48 Regional news (not London).

3.50 Play School, presented by Chloe Ashcroft 4.10 Mighty Mouse (r) 4.15 Puzzle Trail. More clues to the hidden treasure 4.30 Battle of the Planets. Animated science fiction adventures (Ceefax titles) 4.55 John Craven's Newsround. 5.05 Billy Boy. A boy in battle-scarred Belfast discovers a stranger in his hideaway (r).

5.25 The Good Life. Domestic comedy series with Richard Briers and Felicity Kendal as the married couple who go back to nature in deepest Surbiton (r) 5.58 Weather.

6.00 News with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell.

6.30 London Plus.

6.55 Points of View. Barry Took with another dip into the BBC's postbag.

7.10 Hotline. Live 'phone-in show presented by Chris Tarrant and Mary Parkinson. Viewers are encouraged to treat the programme as a tele-visual personal column.

8.00 No Place Like Home. Domestic comedy with, this week, everybody in the family forming different opinions as to why dad has been spending a lot of time "working late at the office".

8.30 Cold Warrior. Episode two of the spy thriller starring Michael Denison (Ceefax titles).

9.00 News with John Humphrys.

9.25 The Black Adder. Starring Rowan Atkinson as the scheming prince, this week plotting to get his deadliest enemy the post of Archbishop of Canterbury (r).

10.00 Film: The Man Who Loved Cat Dancing (1973) starring Burt Reynolds and Sarah Miles. An off-beat love story about a women running away from a boring marriage who is unwittingly involved in a train hold-up and taken hostage by the robber. Directed by Richard C. Serafian.

12.00 News headlines and weather.

## TV-am

6.25 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. News with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 6.39 and 7.37; guest, Robert Powell, from 6.45; exercises at 6.48 and 9.20; Jonathan Dimbleby's and Bel Mooney's star romance at 8.15; Eve Pollard's gossip column at 8.34; Reg Varney at 8.43; Roddy Llewellyn's gardening advice at 9.06.

## ITV/LONDON

9.25 Thames news headlines 9.30 For Schools: Craft, design and technolgy; 9.47 Science – sensitivity; 10.04 Empirical formula by microanalysis; 10.21 An introduction to modern literature; 10.45 Contrasting the business district of Manchester with that of Los Angeles; 11.10 Training to be a fireman; 11.22 Part one of Swallows and Amazons; 11.39 How we used to live.

12.00 Rod, Jane and Freddy in Toyland (r). 12.10 Our Backyard. A picnic is threatened by a rain cloud 12.30 The Sullivans.

1.00 News. 1.20 Thames news. 1.30 A Country Practice. Medical drama set in rural Australia 2.30 Farmhouse Kitchen. Grace Mulligan introduces the 200th edition of the programme. With guests Mary Berry and Marguerite Patten.

3.00 Take the High Road. Drama in the Scottish highlands. 3.25 Thames news headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters.

4.00 Rod, Jane and Freddy. A repeat of the programme shown at noon. 4.15 Towser. 4.20 Sooty, with Matthew Corbett and the Royal Artillery Motorcycle Team (r). 4.40 Cartoon Time. Little Red Rodent Hood (s). 4.50 Hold Tight! with guests, Chas 'n' Dave. 5.15 Blockbusters.

5.45 News. 6.00 Thames news.

6.25 Help! Viv Taylor Gee with news of Healthline, a new pilot telephone information service set up by the College of Health to act as a back-up to doctors.

6.35 Crossroads. Adam Chance humiliates Iris Scott.

7.00 Where There's Life. Miriam Stoppard reports from the United States on the questions raised by the death from a heart attack of Jim Fixx, the man who inspired millions to take up jogging.

7.30 Coronation Street.

8.00 Benny Hill. Comic sketches and songs (r).

8.30 Fresh Fields. Domestic comedy series starring Anton Rodgers and Julia McKenzie. Hester is the driving force behind a church bazaar and concert. She tries to enlist husband William's, help, but he prefers to go fishing. (Oracle titles page 170).

9.00 Minder: A Number of Old Wives' Tales. Arthur gives the bride away and Terry is the best man at a registry office wedding that makes front-page news (Oracle titles, page 170).

10.00 News.

10.30 Midweek Sport Special presented by Brian Moore and Steve Rider. The first of a new series begins with European football and international boxing. There are highlights from one of the European competitions involving a British club; plus the best of the action from Britannia Leisure Centre in Shoreditch where Errol Christie meets Ricky Stackhouse and Clinton McKenzie defends this British title against Terry Marsh.

12.00 The Electric Theatre Show. A profile of Peter Bowles.

12.25 Night Thoughts from Moshe Davis.

Don Cupitt: The Sea of Faith (BBC 2, 9.30pm)

## CHOICE

● THE SEA OF FAITH (BBC2, 9.30pm). Don Cupitt's exploration of the cosmic crisis in faith and philosophy, tonight finds the Dean of Emmanuel College, Cambridge, in Darwin's study; on Freud's consulting couch and in Jung's lakeside tower. These are just three of the stop-offs along a road that, for Mr Cupitt, shows how far homo sapiens have travelled since leaving behind what he calls the allegory of Genesis. Modern science, he says, displaying his distiller's gift for reducing matters of great complexity to the simple; image, makes Adam and Eve seem like a Just-So story. The literal view of Christianity is only implicitly one of Mr Cupitt's concerns in this, the second film in his six-part series. The apotheosis of his argument is to be found in a television interview in which Jung, asked about his belief in God, replies: "I don't need to believe: I know." Religious naturalism was what Jung preached, and Mr Cupitt is such a sympathetic listener that he dares to say, as he brings down the curtain on tonight's film, that he suspects we are all going to have to follow the Swiss psychologist in the end. Mr Cupitt certainly makes it look a more attractive and optimistic proposition than following Freud.

● BOOKMARK (BBC2, 8.10pm) returns with a brand-new presenter, the literary biographer Ian Hamilton, and three first-rate features about Martin Amis's new book Money, a Suicide Note; Dr Janet Morgan's new biography of Agatha Christie (extracts are appearing in The Times); and Peter Ackroyd's new biography of T. S. Eliot. Mr Hamilton is a "find" all right; a books man who is not bookish; a presenter who is strong enough not merely to "front" a programme but to climb inside the works and report interestingly on what it is that makes the literary mind tick.

● GAMBLE OF A LIFETIME? (Radio 4, 7.20pm) is an appalling account of a schoolboy's unquenchable thirst for the quick, big win; a 15-year-old who would lose as much as £5,000 at the roulette table on a single night, and rob his family of their jewelry to get the stake money. It is also a searing indictment of the stupidity of over-indulgent parents who fail (or chose) to ignore the abundant warning signals.

Peter Davalle

## BBC 2

6.05 Open University: Man of Mode by George Atheridge. 6.55 Chemistry: Too Much of a Good Thing. 7.20 Arts: Liszt and Nature. 7.45 Geologist on the Moon. Ends at 8.10.

9.00 Ceefax.

9.10 Daytime on Two: Technical studies: Lathes. 9.38 Science: Bread. 10.00 You and Me. 10.15 Maths: number lines. 10.38 Trigonometry. 11.00 Adventures of Shirley Sharpeyes. 11.17 Songwriting. 11.39 Censorship and "Big Brother".

12.05 Russian language. 12.30 How to be an impresario. 12.55 The Youth Training Scheme in action. 1.21 France. 1.38 How a road accident could have been avoided. 2.00 With Captain Cook on the Endeavour. 2.18 Evidence of the Ice Age. 2.40 The story of Muhammad (Ceefax titles).

3.00 The Waterloo. Coverage of the final stages of the 1984 Greenall Whitley Waterloo Bowling Handicap.

5.00 Images of Ourselves. An Open University production in which five disabled women discuss the politics of disablement (r).

5.25 News summary with subtitles.

5.30 The Pennine Challenge. The second of four programmes which follow the fortunes of four young people as they walk the 270 miles long Pennine Way.

6.00 I Can Jump Puddles. Part three of the Australian-made drama series based on the autobiographical novels of Alan Marshall (r).

6.45 Cartoon Two. Equilibrium.

6.55 Harold Lloyd. Clips from two of the comedian's films – Dr Jack, released in 1922, in which he plays a quack doctor and Never Touched Me (1919) in which he has trouble with his flighty girlfriend's admirers.

7.20 The Rise and Fall of King Cotton. Anthony Burton's history of cotton continues with the story of the American cotton plantations.

7.50 Collecting Now – Know Your Picture. In the last programme of his series John FitzMaurice Mills examines picture frames.

8.10 Bookmark. The first programme in a monthly series about the world of literature. (See Choice).

9.00 Sing Country. Highlights of the Silk Cut Festival including performances by Jeannie C. Riley and Glen Campbell.

9.30 The Sea of Faith. Don Cupitt, Dean of Emmanuel College, Cambridge, with the second programme of his series examining the state of religion today (Ceefax titles) (See Choice).

10.20 The Waterloo. Highlights of today's final of the crown green bowling competition.

11.00 Newsnight.

11.50 Open University. The Autistic Child. 12.15 Volunteers and Social Management. Ends at 12.45.

## CHANNEL 4

10.00 Liberal Assembly '84. Llew Gardner and Brian Shallcross report from Bournemouth. Ends at 12.45.

2.00 Liberal Assembly '84 Coverage of the afternoon's debates.

5.30 The Mary Tyler Moore Show. Mary goes into hospital for an operation to remove her tonsils. The operation is a success but complications arise because of Mary's room-mate who is a nasty piece of work who rejects all Mary's gestures of friendship.

6.00 Alice. Another episode from the life of the newly widowed Alice who struggles to make ends meet by working as a waitress in a Phoenix, Arizona, diner. Staring Linda Lavin.

6.30 The Living Body. The first of a new 26-part series that describes the body's secrets in an entertaining and visual way. This opening programme raises the main question that the series tries to answer – how can the compact collection of living cells help to carry out human activities in a manner that is sometimes beyond the capabilities of the most sophisticated man-made devices?

7.00 Channel Four News with Peter Sissons.

7.50 Comment With his view on a subject of topical importance is Prabhu Guptara, a writer and broadcaster.

8.00 Scotland's Story. David Hayman is the narrator for this third programme in the series on Scotland and the Scots. Scotland in the Middle Ages is tonight's subject, beginning with the ascent of Malcolm III to the throne in 1058. It was Malcolm who invited the Normans to come northwards and later invaded England five times in his attempt to make Northumberland part of Scotland.

8.30 Diverse Reports. The current affairs programme this week examines Mrs Thatcher's other Think Tank – the Mont Pelerin Group – which has been in existence since 1947, and meets in Cambridge this month.

9.00 Satyagraha. An opera by the American composer Philip Glass, about the early years of the life of Gandhi, starring Leo Goeke, Ralf Harster and Helmut Danniger as Gandhi at various stages of his life from 1893 to 1914. Each act and scene is introduced by Glass who explains how and why he came to write the opera, the historical background he drew upon and the symbolic significance of certain characters in the work – such as Leo Tolstoy as Gandhi's past, Tagore as Gandhi's present philosophical mentor, and Martin Luther King as the symbol relating to the future beyond Gandhi.

12.10 Closedown.

## Radio 4

Programmes as long wave. †denotes stereo on VHF.

6.00 News Briefing; Weather.
6.10 Farming Today. 6.25 Shipping Forecast.
6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News summary. 6.45 Prayer. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for the Day.
8.43 Bellman and True by Desmond Lowden, abridged in 10 parts (3). Read by Norman Jones. 8.57 Weather; Travel.
9.00 News.
9.05 Midweek: The special guest is Penelope Mortimer.
10.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time. Listeners' questions.
10.30 Morning Story: The Melodic Jonah by Stephen Osbourne. Read by Michael Kelligan.
10.45 Daily Service: from Chapel of Unity, Methodist Church, Belfast.†
11.00 News; Travel; A Pox On All Infections. Colin Tudge on why infections such as measles, polio, rubella are still with us despite attempts to eradicate them.(r)
11.48 God and I. Six-part series in which a former preacher, Harry Soan, traces his complex relationship with God (4).
12.00 News; You and Yours.
12.27 Death May Surprise You by Ted Willis (4).(r) 12.55 Weather.
1.00 The World At One: News.
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast.
2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Today's edition includes an interview with Anita Roddick, who created a successful beauty business that uses only natural ingredients. Plus episode 11 of The Fall of the Sparrow.
3.00 Afternoon Theatre: Maurice in Memoriam, by Graham Blackett. With Denis Lill, Diane Fletcher, Jesse Lawrence and Jerold Wells. With the help of a burglar, a 12-year-old boy achieves his life's ambition.†
3.47 Time for Verse (5). All is not Lost. H. Colin Davis's selections are read by Rosalind Shanks and Manning Wilson.
4.00 News; File On 4 (new series).(r)
4.40 Story Time: Before the Wind Changed. Five autobiographical stories by James Martin. 3: Zimbabwe Was A Ruin Then. The reader is James Martin.
5.00 PM: News. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather; Travel.
6.00 The Six O'Clock News; Financial Report.
6.30 Top of the Form. First Round – 2: London; Brampton Manor School, Newham v Queen Elizabeth Boys' School, Barnet.
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Gamble of a lifetime? A sixteen year old gambler tells his story to Cathy Packe (see choice).
7.45 Foreign Correspondents. A series of 10 programmes on special war correspondents. 10: Debriefed by Dreams. The story of Michael Herr.
8.15 Antony Hopkins talking about music.†
8.45 Modern Myths. Paul Smith examines the work being done on modern contemporary legends (r).
9.30 A talent to amuse. Sheridan Morley on the life and music of Noel Coward (Noel and the 20s).
9.45 Kaleidoscope. A special edition devoted to the arts in Bristol with Paul Allen.
10.15 A Book at Bedtime: "Stars and Bars" by William Boyd, abridged in ten parts (3). Read by Kerry Shale. 10.29 Weather.
10.30 The World Tonight, incl 11.00 Headlines.
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Soundings. A profile of Dr Billy Graham, the evangelist.
12.00 News. 12.10 Weather. 12.15 – close. Shipping.

VHF (Available in England and Wales only).

Radio 4 VHF is as above except: 6.25-6.30am Weather; Travel. 11.00-12.00pm For Schools: 1.55-3.00 For Schools. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.00-12.00 Study on 4: Enjoying Opera. 11.30-12.00am OpenUniversity: 11.30-12.00am Open University: 11.30 Romantic Poetry: Shelley. 11.50 Music Interlude 12.30-1.10 Schools night-time broadcasting: 12.30 Advanced Level: English (5 & 6).

## Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.
7.05 Your Midweek Choice: part one. Boieldieu's Harp Concerto (Robles, soloist); Rachmaninov's Variations on Corelli theme (Shelley, piano); Glazunov's Valse de Concert, Op 47.†
8.00 News.
8.05 Your Midweek Choice (contd): Handel's 'Haste thee, nymph (Martyn Hill, tenor); Leclair's Sonata in C Op 1 No 2 (Rampal, flute: Veyron-Lecroux, harpsicord); Stravinsky's The Rite of Spring.19.00 News.
9.05 This Week's Composer: Mozart's Duet Sonata in F, K 497 (Rankl/ Koscis, pianos); Symphony No 38.†
10.00 Schubert: Andras Schiff (piano) plays the Sonata in A minor, D 845.†
10.45 Orchestral Music: Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields play Walton's Sonata for Strings.†
11.15 Respighi Song Recital: Anthony Roden (tenor), with Geoffrey Parsons (piano). Tre canti all 'antica; Notte; Contrasto; Invito alla danza; And song cycle Deita silvane.†
11.50 French Music: BBC Scottish SO and Scottish Philharmonic Singers. Rameau's suite Platée; Berlioz's Tristia Op 18; Faurés Pavane Op 50; Ravel's Le tombeau de Couperin.†1.00 News.
1.05 Jazz Records: The Dave Brubeck Quartet (including Take Five).
1.30 Matinee Musicale: BBC Concert Orchestra with Alan Fairs (baritone), Iain Ledingham (piano). Chabrier's Fete polonaise; Elgar's The blue eyed fairy; My old tunes (Starlight Express); Eric Coates's Elizabeth of Glamis; William Reed's Hornpipe; Quilter's Now sleeps the crimson petal; Three Shakespeare songs Jean Francaix's Au musée Grevin.†
2.30 Clementi and Brahms: Janos Solyom (piano) Clementi's Sonata in D Op 40 No 3; Brahms's Sonata No 1 in C Op 1 †
3.15 William Schuman: A Song of Orpheus (Cleveland Orchestra): Symphony for Strings (New York PO).†
4.00 Choral Evensong: Ex-College Singers in Guildford Cathedral.14.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: another of Roger Nichols's selections.
6.30 Historic Recordings: Irmgard Seefried in Concert. Songs by Schubert, Brahms, Mussorgsky and Strauss. With Erik Werba (piano) Mono.
7.00 Sour Sweet Somalia: The Somali novelist Nuruddin Farah in conversation with Graham Fawcett.
7.30 Stuttgart Piano Trio: part one. Beethoven's Trio in C minor Op 1 No 3; Ravel's Trio in A minor. From the Cheltenham Festival 1984 †
8.25 Six Continents: Foreign radio broadcasts, monitored by the BBC. With Angus McDermid.
8.45 Stuttgart Piano Trio: part two. Mendelssohn's Trio in C minor Op 66.†
9.20 Short story: Sandy Neilson reads Ronald Frame's My Cousin from Des Moines.
9.50 Patterson and Musgrave: BBC Singers, with Keith Thompson (piano). Paul Patterson's Kyrie, 1972; Thea Musgrave's Rorate coeli, 1974; Paul Patterson's Gloria, 1973.†
10.30 Baroque Orchestral Music: Linde Consort play Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No 5; and Suite No 4 in D. †
11.15 News. Until 11.18.

VHF only – Open University: 6.35-6.55am Open Forum: Student's Magazine. 11.20pm Social Science and Common Sense. 11.40-12.00 Instrumentation.


Billy Graham profile: Radio 4 at 11.30pm

## Radio 2

News on the hour (except 9.00pm). Headlines 5.30am, 6.30, 7.30 and 8.30. Medium wave.
4.00am Martin Kelner.† 5.30 Bill Rennells.† 7.30 Terry Wogan † incl 8.31 Racing. 10.00 Jimmy Young, includes an interview with Mrs Thatcher. † 12.00pm Steve Jones† incl 2.02, 3.02 Sports Desk. 3.30 Music All The Way.† 4.00 David Hamilton † incl 4.02, 5.05 Sports Desk. 6.00 John Dunn † incl 6.02 Sports Desk. 6.30 Sport and Classified Results (mf only). 7.30 Cricket Scores. 8.00 European Soccer Special. 9.30 Listen To The Band with Charlie Chester† (continued from VHF). 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Golden Years with Alan Keith. 10.30 Hubert Gregg says Thanks for the Memory. 11.00 Brian Mattew presents Round Midnight (stereo from midnight). 1.00am Charles Nove presents Nightride.† 3.00 Broadway Babes: Mary Martin.† 3.30-4.00 David Francis and Gordon Langford.†

## Radio 1

News on the half hour from 6.30 am until 9.30 pm and at 12 midnight. Medium wave. † denotes also VHF stereo.
6.00 am Adrian John incl 6.15 Action Special 7.00 Mike Read incl 7.15, 8.15 Action Special. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Andy Peebles incl 12.15 Action Special 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.00 pm Steve Wright incl 4.15 Action Special. 4.30 Bruno Brookes incl 5.15 Action Special 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.00 Janice Long incl 7.15 Action Special. 10.00-12.00 am John Peel.† VHF Radios 1 and 2: 4.00 am With Radio 2. 8.00 pm The Doomed Oasis. Arabian adventure adapted in six parts (5). 8.30 BBC Radio Orchestra with Bill Rennells. 9.15 Listen to the Band Charlie Chester with brass and military music. 9.30 With Radio 2. 10.00 With Radio 1 12.00-4.00 am With Radio 2.

## WORLD SERVICE

6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 Omnibus 7.00 World News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 7.30 That's Trad. 7.45 Report on Religion. 8.00 World News 8.09 Reflections 8.15 Classical Record Review 8.30 Frank Muir Goes Into 9.00 World News 9.09 Review of the British Press. 9.15 The World Today 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 These Musical Islands 10.15 Guitar Workshop 11.00 World News 11.09 News About Britain 11.15 World Service Short Story 11.30 Meridian 12.00 Radio Newsreel 12.15 Nature Notebook 12.25 The Farming World. 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 World News 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 1.30 Screen Partnerships 1.45 Traveller's Tales. 2.15 Report on Religion. 2.30 Middlemarch 3.00 Radio Newsreel 3.15 Outlook 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary 4.15 Counterpoint 8.00 World News 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours 8.30 New Thoughts 9.00 Network UK 9.15 World Service Short Story 9.30 Jazz For The Asking. 10.00 World News 10.09 The World Today. 10.25 Book Choice 10.30 Financial News 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 World News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Letter from The Pyrenees. 11.30 Top Twenty 12.00 World News. 12.09 News About Britain 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Waveguide. 12.40 Book Choice. 12.45 Frank Muir Goes Into .. 1.15 Outlook 1.45 Monitor. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 Network UK 2.30 New Thoughts From The Right. 3.00 World News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 3.30 These Musical Islands 4.30 Classical Record Review 4.45 Financial News 4.55 Reflections 5.00 World News. 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours 5.45 The World Today.

All times in GMT

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**BBC1** Wales: 12.57-1.00 News of Wales headlines. 3.48-3.50 News of Wales headlines. 5.25-5.35 Interval. 5.35-5.58 Wales Today. 6.30-6.55 Taxi. 12.00-12.05am News and Weather. Scotland: 12.55pm-1.00 The Scottish news. 6.30-6.55 Reporting Scotland. 12.00-12.05am News and weather. Northern Ireland: 12.57pm-1.00 Northern Ireland News. 3.48-3.50 Northern Ireland News. 5.25-5.58 Channel One. 12.00-12.05am News and Weather. England: 6.30pm-6.55 Regional news magazines.

**S4C** Starts 10.00am Liberal Party Conference. 12.45pm Seibiant/Off Air. 2.00 Gwrando a Gwneud. 2.20 Ffalabalam. 2.35 Hyn o fyd. 2.55 Liberal Party. 4.55 Garan - gwarchodwr y gofod. 5.35 Start here. 6.00 Brookside. 6.30 Love, Sidney. 7.00 Newyddion saith. 7.30 Pel-droed. 9.20 Y byd ar bedwar. 9.45 Film: Suicide's Wife (Angie Dickinson). 12.00 Special Aka. 1.00am Closedown.

**GRANADA** As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 Granada reports. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 6.00 This is your Right. 6.05 Crossroads. 6.30-7.00 Granada reports. 12.00 Short Story. 12.30am Closedown.

## REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

**BORDER** As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 3.00 That's Hollywood. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 6.00-6.35 Lookaround. 12.00 News, Closedown.

**TYNE TEES** As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.25-1.30 Where the Jobs are. 6.00 News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25-7.00 Northern Life. 12.00 Patience, Closedown.

**CENTRAL** As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Electric Theatre Show. 1.20 News. 1.30-2.30 Hotel. 6.00 Crossroads. 6.25-7.00 News. 12.00 Closedown.

**HTV WEST** As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Electric Theatre Show. 1.20 News. 1.30 Protectors. 2.00-2.30 That's My Dog. 6.00-6.35 News. 12.00 Comedy Tonight. 12.30am Closedown.

**HTV WALES** As HTV West except: 6.00pm-6.35 Wales at Six.

**GRAMPIAN** As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Animals in Action. 1.20 News. 1.30-2.30 We'll Meet Again. 6.00-6.35 North Tonight. 10.30 Silver Spoons. 11.05 Scotsport. 12.05am News, Closedown.

**ANGLIA** As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Electric Theatre Show. 1.20-1.30 News. 6.00-6.35 About Anglia. 12.00 Preview. 12.30am Norfolk Stories, Closedown.

**YORKSHIRE** As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Calendar at your service. 1.20 News. 1.30-2.30 Falcon Crest. 6.00-6.35 Calendar. 12.00 Barney Miller. 12.30am Closedown.

**TVS** As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Afternoon Club. 1.32 That's My Dog. 2.02-2.30 Afternoon Club. 3.00 Afternoon Club. 3.30-4.00 Take the High Road. 6.00-6.35 Coast to Coast. 12.00 That's Hollywood. 12.30am Company, Closedown.

**CHANNEL** As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Gardens for All. 1.20-1.30 News. 5.15-5.45 Pruitts of Southampton. 6.00-6.35 Channel report. 12.00 Closedown.

**ULSTER** As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 Lunchtime. 3.30-4.00 Once Upon a Time . . . Man. 6.00-6.35 Good Evening Ulster. 12.00 News, Closedown.

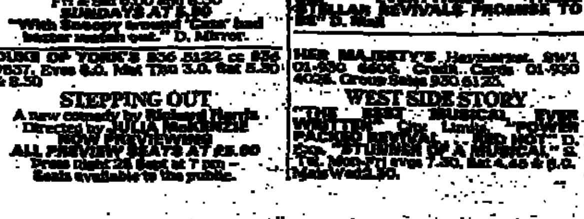
**TSW** As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Three Little Words. 1.20-1.30 News. 5.15 Gus Honeybun. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30-7.00 Diff'rent Strokes. 12.00 Postscript. Closedown.

**SCOTTISH** As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Electric Theatre Show. 1.20 News. 1.30-2.30 We'll Meet Again. 3.00 Vintage Quiz. 3.30-4.00 Blockbusters. 5.10 Action Line. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Scotland Today. 6.30-7.00 World Worth Keeping. 10.30 Ace Crawford, Private Eye. 11.00 Late Call. 11.05 Scotsport. 12.20am Closedown.

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN
† Stereo. ★Black and white. (r) Repeat.

# Entertainments





# Bitov told friends he had cancer and disappeared

By Richard Dowden

On August 23, nearly a week after he disappeared from London, Oleg Bitov, the Russian defector who returned to the Soviet Union, telephoned friends in the United States and told them he had cancer.

Bitov told the friends, fellow Russian exiles, that he was going into hospital immediately for diagnostic tests and treatment. The friends assumed he was telephoning from Britain.

Bitov also told another friend, Antonov Gladilin of Radio Liberty, that he was seeing a doctor. Gladilin came to London from Paris on August 16 and dined with Bitov that evening. He told him he was seeing a doctor the next day but did not disclose what about.

Bitov had offered to take Gladilin on a tour of Britain in his new £5,000 Toyota Tercel but although they were old friends from Moscow days Bitov did not give him his telephone number. Gladilin did not see him again.

Bitov, the defector who went back to the cold, was never really happy in the West.

He had a well equipped house in Cheam, £40,000 in the bank, a new Toyota, was having treatment for new false teeth and was contemplating spending £3,000 on a new word processor but he never felt settled.

Friends and associates in Britain and America say he continued to worry about his daughter, Xenia, aged 15, whom he once described as "the dearest creature in all the world". The pseudonym he used as a translator of science fiction books in Russian was based on her name.

Ms Peter Reddaway, a Soviet specialist at the London School of Economics, said: "He was rather tense, all the time, working hard to give the impression that he was at home in the West."

Mr Bitov first contacted British agent in Venice in September last year. He was there ostensibly to cover the Venice Film Festival but one report claims he was there on KGB business. Mr Bitov told Mr John Barron of the *Reader's Digest* that he was to have come to Italy earlier with a KGB agent who works for the *Literturnya Gazeta* to write about the attempted assassination of the Pope.

He was brought to Britain, possibly as he claims under a passport issued in the name of David Locke, and he was granted political asylum in January.

British intelligence wanted to gain as much publicity as possible from Mr Bitov and Mr Peter Joy, named as one of the intelligence staff named by Mr Bitov in Moscow yesterday, introduced him to Mr Hilary Rubenstein, a literary agent.

In his first statement about leaving the Soviet Union, Mr Bitov said he wanted to protest at the shooting down of the Korean aircraft last September. He said also that it was a personal protest against the party's policy of exterminating the flower of the Russian intelligentsia.

In a series of articles in the *Sunday Telegraph* in February, Bitov described life in the Soviet Union emphasizing the repression of writers annd artists.

Other exiles, however, noticed that the articles were not as tough as might be expected and contained nothing that was not known in the West.

With the publication of the articles the security which had surrounded Mr Bitov begin to relax and he was no longer accompanied by a MI6 "minder" wherever he went.

Mr Duff Hart-Davis, who spent sessions with Mr Bitov over eight weeks, helping to write the *Sunday Telegraph* articles, said Mr Bitov was able to telephone his wife frequently and sent her parcels of clothes which appeared to reach her.

In March he signed a contract with Hamish Hamilton the publishers to write a book called *Tales I could not tell*, an account of censorship in the Soviet Union. The delivery date was to be next March.

In May he went to America as a guest of *Reader's Digest*.

On his return he went to Paris where he was offered a job with Radio Liberty with whom he did three 15 minute interviews.

The exact reason why he left his car double parked at Emperors Gate in Kensington near the Russian Embassy on August 16 and disappeared remains a mystery. His flat in Sheen, south-west London, showed no sign that he intended to go away, not even his tooth brush was missing.

The information Mr Bitov gave at his press conference yesterday morning appears to be accurate in some respects. Mr James Glover and Mr Peter Joy, both of whom were named by Mr Bitov, have been ifentified as working for British intelligence services.

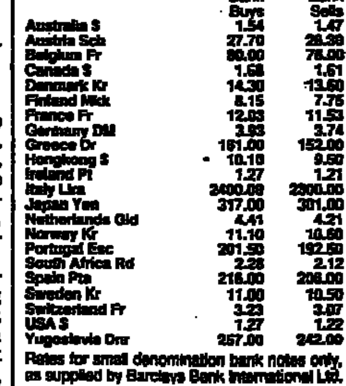
There is a Mr Peter Joy in the present diplomatic list but Foreign Office officials would not confirm that he was the one mentioned by Mr Bitov. He is described as a counsellor at the Foreign Office since 1980.

One of the two phone numbers given by Mr Bitov gave an engaged tone and was declared out of order by the exchange yesterday morning. The other, a Bloomsbury number, was answered by a woman. When asked for one of the names given by Mr Bitov she said "wait a moment" and then after a pause asked "who did you want?" When the name was repeated she went away again and returned to say no one of that name worked there. Asked for another name she replied that it was an ex-directory private line and put down the receiver. There was continual noise of typewriters and phones ringing in the background throughout the call.


Sheen Court, Richmond Surrey, one of the "safe houses" named by Mr Bitov.


Oleg Bitov: Wanted to see his daughter again.


Safe house: 34 Redcliffe Square, Earl's Court, London.



Felbridge Hotel and the reservation in David Locke's name

# Affair 'will not harm UK'

By Peter Hennessy

**The Whitehall assessment of the Bitov redefection is that it is a tiresome irritant but not damaging to British interests or security. It is more unlikely to preoccupy Ministers with responsibility for intelligence.**

**But one experienced figure did acknowledge that any defector, however low grade, who went back to Moscow was "bad publicity" as it may discourage potentially valable people in the East from coming over.**

**Whitehall reckoned Mr Bitov had returned to the Soviet Union as soon as he was reported missing. The "working assumption", in the absense of hard evidence, is that he became depressed and did a deal with the Soviet Embassy in London.**

**Bitov's statement yesterday included some "interesting snippets" that the KGB would already have known, according to one source. But it was judged to be designed for domestic propaganda purposes to undo some of the damage his original defection caused.**

# Cash in advance for hotel

By Staff Reporters

Ye Olde Felbridge Hotel is an array of turn-of-the-century mock-Tudor buildings skirting the main London road as it enters the leafy stockbroker belt of East Grinstead.

The register shows that a Mr David Locke – the name Mr Bitov claimed he was given in his forged British passport – checked in on September 10, 1983, and left on September 12.

Mr Brian Constable, the hotel's general manager, said yesterday that Mr Locke arrived without a reservation, and had paid cash in advance for his two-day stay. He gave a private address in London, SW7, which Mr Constable would not divulge. It was not one of those revealed in Moscow by Mr Bitov.

"For all I know Mr Locke was a bona fide guest, and I must respect the confidentiality of my customers," Mr Constable said, blocking out the address before allowing *The Times* to photograph Mr Locke's registration card. Neither he nor any of his staff could recall Mr Locke.

118 Sheen Court is a two-bedroomed second-floor flat at the quiet end of a 1930s estate off Upper Richmond Road West, in suburban Sheen.

Mrs Diana Preddle, the estate secretary, said it had been tenanted since February 15 by Mr James Westoll, one of the names given by Mr Bitov in Moscow. "It is amazing to think of it being used as a safe house. I certainly had not seen anybody with snow on their boots or Russian hats".

Flat 4, 34 Redcliffe Square, is a handsome five-year-old conversion in an imposing Edwardian town house in what was once a popular rooming area in Earls Court. Neighbours had no recollection of seeing anyone at Flat 4.

On the local electoral roll the occupant is listed at Rose Prince, the name Mr Bitov gave in Moscow as that of a clerk with British Intelligence.

A spokesman for Scotts, of Putney, the managing agents for the property, said: "I think it is highly unlikely that it could have been used as a safe house or to hold anyone prisoner, but flats can always be sub-let and we do not always know about it.

# Cool but strained at press conference

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doctor called Giuseppe and an Italian nurse, and being taken to "a villa somewhere up in the mountains". He claimed he was injected with psychotropic drugs before being put on a London-bound Alitalia jet at Pisa with a forged British passport in the name of "David Locke".

By mid-September, Mr Bitov said, he was being held at the Old Fallbridge Hotel in East Grinstead, still on drugs. Mr Bitov claimed he was taken two or three times a week to an Army barracks near Brighton for interrogation.

When the Sherlock Holmses of British Intelligence found out he was not a KGB agent they took on a new role as political scientists, radio producers and publishers' go-betweens, offering him well-paid jobs as a "mud-slinging anti-Sovieteer".

Seven weeks later Mr Bitov made his statement, which he now says was a fabrication by British Intelligence. Blackmail, medical innovations for inhuman purposes, bribery and physical violence had been used to force him to comply, as well as special techniques for fabricating voice and text.

Mr Bitov said senior British intlligence officers had proudly told him they were waging an undeclared war against the Soviet Union, and that for them the only law was the total absence of laws.

Having been taken prisoner, Mr Bitov said, he could have resisted openly or gone over to the other camp, but instead had taken the difficult third option of gaining time to lull his captors' vigilance, while trying to let close relatives at home know that he did not intend to betray Russia completely.

In his statement last December and in articles and radio interviews, Mr Bitov said repeatedly while in the West that he had felt stifled in the Soviet Union, that he was unable to give a true picture of Western culture in the *Literary Gazette* because of ideological restrictions and that Soviet censorship was severe.

Asked by *The Times* if he now renounced these views Mr Bitov said he had wanted to make "milder" statements in the West, but editors had insisted on "crude anti-soviet material. There are those who say there is no censorship in the West, but that is a lie".

# THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

## The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,539

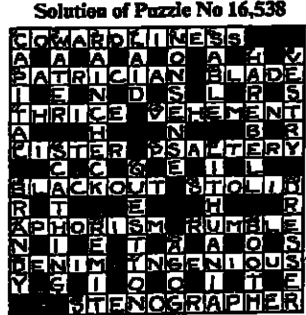
ACROSS

1 Died with Lawrence? Rubbish! (5).
4 Exemplary chap, he, at conveying information (9).
9 Strange if the lass is inconstant (9).
10 In Aeschylus, a Tyrian deity (5).
11 Noted concomitant to the progress of several companies (10,5).
12 "... no sadness of farewell When I —" (Tennyson) (6).
14 See principal touch down at Portland Bill, say (8).
17 Records attempt at making a wall-covering (8).
19 Commit robbery and run away from the church (6).
22 Its potential victim dreaded a haircut (5,2,8).
24 Severe treatment finishes off the son of Gargantua (5).
25 In which one is considered alone (9).
26 Rent in USA makes us gloomy (9).
27 2 back-street compositions (5).

DOWN

1 Putting off, in Paris, of agitation (9).
2 No footballer is in debt (5).
3 Perhaps Machiavelli's school raised corps of engineers (7).
4 Miss Page is upset by this colour (6).
5 Webster's lightweight material? (8).
6 Took for granted this name was false (7).
7 In which one may travel by car to demo, perhaps (9).
8 Prime Minister once, and not half thin! (5).
13 Incidental result of multiplication? (2-7).
15 Nurses' applications to perform in choir in costume (9).
16 Airmen qualified to be in soldier's writings (8).
18 Perhaps Rosinante's back to support his handiwork (7).
20 Creature spotted by old Pope on way round Pennsylvania? (7).
21 Henry's up and round about in Pakistan (6).
22 Hood's bridge of these dimensions, say? (5).
23 Learning about one of France's waterways (5).

Solution of Puzzle No 16,538



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## New books – hardback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week:
**Daisy Ashford: Her Life**, by R.M. Malcomson (Chatto & Windus, £8.95).
**Life's Rich Pageant**, by Arthur Marshall (Hamish Hamilton, £8.95).
**My Uncle George**, The respectful recollections of a backslider in a Highland manse, by Alastair Phillips (Richard Drew, Glasgow, £9.50).
**Recollections, Mainly of Artists and Writers**, by Geoffrey Grigson (Chatto & Windus, £12.50).
**The National Trust Book of Ruins**, by Brian Bailey (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £12.95.
**The New Collins Thesaurus**, A Creative A-Z Word Finder, edited by William T. McLeod (Collins, £7.95).
**The Oxford Companion to Chess**, by David Hooper & Kenneth Whyld (Oxford, £15).
**The Language of the Garden, A Personal Anthology**, by Anne Scott-James (Viking, £8.95).
**The New Englishes**, by J. Platt, H. Weber, and M.L. Ho (Routledge & Kegan Paul, £12.50, paperback, £5.95).
**The Rise and Decline of Western Liberalism**, by Anthony Arblaster (Blackwell, £19.50). PH

## Today's events

### Royal engagements

Princess Anne opens The Princess Square Shopping Centre, Bracknell, Berkshire, 2.45, and later, attends a gala charity show at Selfridges, London, 7.30.

The Duchess of Kent attends a concert by the London Mozart Players at the Royal Festival Hall, 7.20.

### New exhibitions

Paintings by Jim Andrew: The Ginnel Gallery Lloyd Street, Manchester; Mon to Fri 9 to 5.30, Thurs 9 to 8; (ends Oct 26).

### Music

Organ recital by David Morgan: Southwold Parish Church, Suffolk, 8.15.

Organ recital by Ian Tracey; Church of the Holy Trinity, Mostyn Street, Llandudno, 7.45.

Concert of Music by Mozart: Douglas Smith and Denis Matthews and the Cheltenham Sunday Players: Pittville Pump Room, Cheltenham, 7.30.

Concert by the Northern Sinfonia; Newcastle City Hall, 7.45.

Recital by the English Reed Trio; Dorset County Museum, Dorchester, 8.

Concert by the Goldberg Ensemble; Marlow Parish Church, Bucks, 8.

## Anniversaries

Births: **Robert Sanderson**, Bishop of Lincoln 1660-63, Sheffield (?), 1587; **William Kirby**, entomologist, Witnesham, Suffolk, 1759; **George Cadbury**, Quaker, chocolate manufacturer and social reformer, Birmingham, 1839; **Arthur Rackham**, illustrator, London, 1867.

Deaths: **Meyer Amschel Rothschild**, founder of the banking house, Frankfurt am Main, 1812; **James Abraham Garfield**, 20th president of the USA March 4-Sept 19, 1881, Elberon, New Jersey, 1881; **Thomas Barnardo**, social reformer, Surbiton, Surrey, 1905;

## Roads

**Midlands:** A38: Contraflow in operation on Burton on Trent bypass. M1: Contraflow system in the vicinity of junction 15, Bucks. A5: Contraflow S E of Tamworth.

**Wales and West:** A386: Roadworks at Lodge Hill, Okehampton.

**The North:** A580: Roadworks E of the A572 junction at Pocket Nook; all trafic sharing one carriageway. A69: Roadworks at Greenhead, Northumberland.

**Scotland:** A92: Bypass construction 3 miles N of Stonehaven: single line traffic with lights. A74: Carriageway strengthening from S of Johnstonebridge to S of Beattock; lane closures on northbound carriageway.

Information supplied by the AA

## Crop pest warning

The Government has issued a warning to horticulturists and greenhouse growers to watch out for the American Serpentine Leaf Miner, a pest which has been found in Britain on chrysanthemum and gerbera crops. It can devastate a wide range of crops grown under glass and autumn is the highest risk period. Greenhouse owners are asked to be especially vigilant now and during the coming months.

## The pound

| | Bank Buys | Bank Sells |
|---|---|---|
| Australia $ | 1.54 | 1.47 |
| Austria Sch | 27.70 | 26.30 |
| Belgium Fr | 80.00 | 76.00 |
| Canada $ | 1.68 | 1.61 |
| Denmark Kr | 14.30 | 13.60 |
| Finland Mkk | 8.15 | 7.75 |
| France Fr | 12.03 | 11.53 |
| Germany DM | 3.93 | 3.74 |
| Greece Dr | 161.00 | 152.00 |
| Hongkong $ | 10.10 | 9.50 |
| Ireland Pt | 1.27 | 1.21 |
| Italy Lira | 2400.00 | 2300.00 |
| Japan Yen | 317.00 | 301.00 |
| Netherlands Gld | 4.41 | 4.21 |
| Norway Kr | 11.10 | 10.60 |
| Portugal Esc | 201.50 | 192.50 |
| South Africa Rd | 2.28 | 2.12 |
| Spain Pta | 216.00 | 206.00 |
| Sweden Kr | 11.00 | 10.50 |
| Switzerland Fr | 3.23 | 3.07 |
| USA $ | 1.27 | 1.22 |
| Yugoslavia Dnr | 257.00 | 242.00 |

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied by Barclays Bank International Ltd.

Retail Price Index: 354.8.

London: The *FT* index closed down 1.0 at 858.

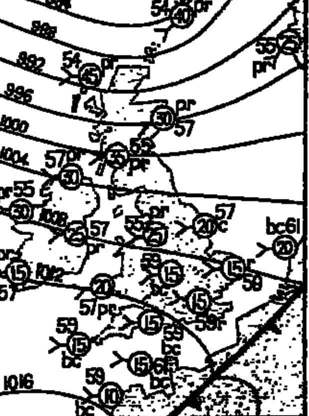
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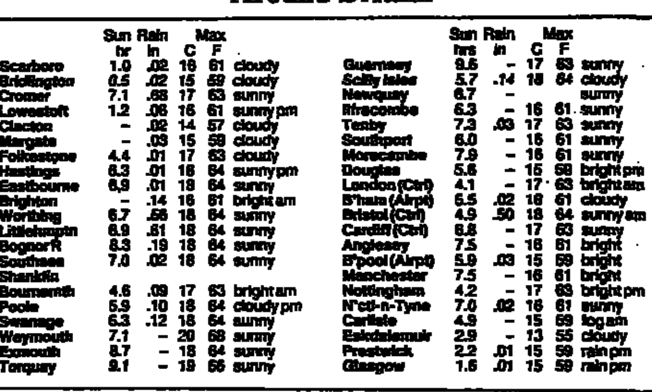
**A trough of low pressure over the SE will clear the country during the morning leaving Britain in a W airstream.**

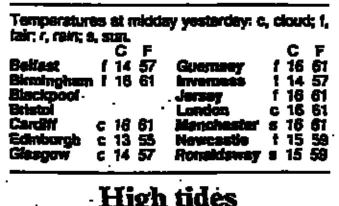
### 6 am to midnight

**London, SE England, East Anglia, Channel Island:** Rain in places at first, sunny intervals developing; wind W light, max temp 17c (63f).
**Central S, E, central N, NE England, E, W Midlands:** Dry, sunny intervals: wind W light; max temp 17c (63f).
**SW England, S Wales:** Mostly dry, sunny intervals; wind W light: max temp 17c (63f).
**N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man:** Sunny intervals, a few showers: wind W moderate; max temp 16c (61f).
**Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Firth:** Sunny periods, a few showers; wind W moderate or fresh; max temp 16c (61f).
**SW Scotland, Glasgow, Northern Ireland:** Sunny intervals, some showers; wind W fresh; max temp 14c (57f).
**Central Higlands, NE, NW Scotland, Argyll, Orkney, Shetland:** Sunny intervals and showers, some heavy; wind W fresh or strong locally gale at first; max temp 13c (55f).
Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Sunny intervals and showers which may be heavy, especially in the NW.

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Straits of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind W moderate or fresh: occasional rain at first; visibility moderate or good: sea slight or moderate. St George's Channel: Wind W moderate or fresh; occasional rain later; visibility good; sea slight or moderate. Irish Sea: Wind W fresh to strong: showers; visibility good; sea rough.



Sun rises: 6.42 am
Sun sets: 7.06 pm
Moon sets: 4.32 pm
Moon rises: 11.46 pm
New Moon: September 25.

### London

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 17C (63F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 11C (52F). Humidity: 6 pm, 64 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, nil in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 4.1 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,010.2 millibars, rising.
1,000 millibars = 29.53 in.

### Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

| | | C | F | | | C | F |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Belfast | f | 14 | 57 | Guernsey | f | 16 | 61 |
| Birmingham | f | 16 | 61 | Inverness | f | 14 | 57 |
| Blackpool | | | | Jersey | f | 16 | 61 |
| Bristol | | | | London | c | 16 | 61 |
| Cardiff | c | 16 | 61 | Manchester | s | 16 | 61 |
| Edinburgh | c | 13 | 55 | Newcastle | f | 15 | 59 |
| Glasgow | c | 14 | 57 | Ronaldsway | s | 15 | 59 |

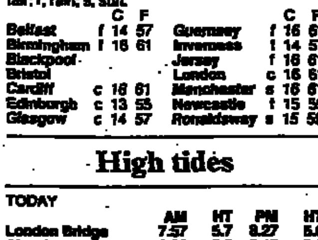
### High tides

TODAY

| | AM | HT | PM | HT |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| London Bridge | 7.57 | 5.7 | 8.27 | 5.6 |
| Aberdeen | 8.03 | 3.3 | 8.45 | 3.3 |
| Avonmouth | 12.34 | 9.7 | 1.9 | 9.5 |
| Belfast | 5.36 | 2.8 | 6.19 | 2.9 |
| Cardiff | 12.19 | 9.1 | 12.45 | 8.9 |
| Devonport | 11.46 | 4.3 | - | - |
| Dover | 5.00 | 5.2 | 5.30 | 5.2 |
| Falmouth | 11.16 | 4.1 | 11.58 | 4.0 |
| Glasgow | 6.57 | 4.0 | 7.07 | 4.1 |
| Harwich | 6.01 | 3.4 | 6.33 | 3.5 |
| Holyhead | 4.48 | 4.3 | 5.33 | 4.3 |
| Hull | 12.08 | 5.7 | 12.54 | 5.6 |
| Ilfracombe | - | - | 12.20 | 6.7 |
| Leith | 9.20 | 4.4 | 10.04 | 4.3 |
| Liverpool | 5.26 | 7.3 | 6.05 | 7.1 |
| Lowestoft | 3.53 | 2.1 | 4.198 | 2.0 |
| Margate | 6.15 | 3.9 | 6.43 | 3.9 |
| Milford Haven | 12.04 | 5.2 | 12.39 | 5.1 |
| Newquay | 11.38 | 5.2 | - | - |
| Oban | 11.57 | 2.9 | - | - |
| Penzance | 11.09 | 4.3 | 11.46 | 4.2 |
| Portland | - | - | 12.29 | 1.5 |
| Portsmouth | 5.44 | 3.6 | 6.21 | 3.7 |
| Shoreham | 5.12 | 4.7 | 6.01 | 4.6 |
| Southampton | 5.33 | 3.6 | 6.08 | 3.7 |
| Swansea | 12.12 | 7.3 | 12.50 | 7.2 |
| Tees | 10.38 | 4.2 | 11.17 | 4.2 |
| Walton-on-Naze | 5.51 | 3.4 | 6.20 | 3.4 |

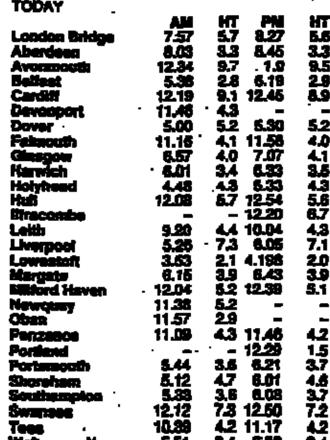
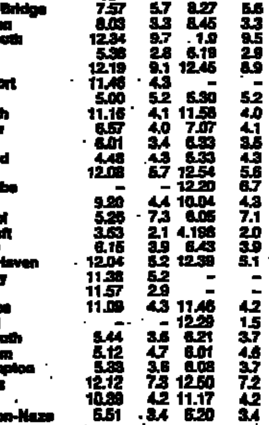
Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

## Portfolio

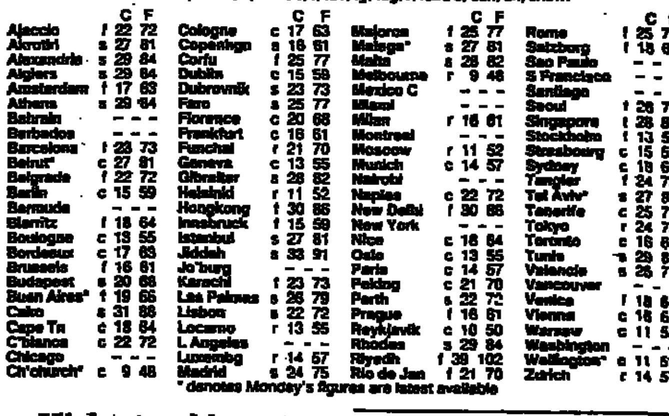


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### Around Britain

| | Sun hr | Rain in | Max C | Max F | | | Sun hrs | Rain in | Max C | Max F | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Scarboro | 1.0 | .02 | 16 | 61 | cloudy | Guernsey | 9.6 | - | 17 | 63 | sunny |
| Bridlington | 0.5 | .02 | 15 | 59 | cloudy | Scilly Isles | 5.7 | .14 | 18 | 64 | cloudy |
| Cromer | 7.1 | .68 | 17 | 63 | sunny | Newquay | 6.7 | - | | | sunny |
| Lowestoft | 1.2 | .08 | 16 | 61 | sunny pm | Ilfracombe | 6.3 | - | 16 | 61 | sunny |
| Clacton | - | .02 | 14 | 57 | cloudy | Tenby | 7.3 | .03 | 17 | 63 | sunny |
| Margate | - | .03 | 15 | 59 | cloudy | Southport | 6.0 | - | 16 | 61 | sunny |
| Folkestone | 4.4 | .01 | 17 | 63 | cloudy | Morecambe | 7.9 | - | 16 | 61 | sunny |
| Hastings | 6.3 | .01 | 18 | 64 | sunny pm | Douglas | 5.6 | - | 15 | 59 | bright pm |
| Eastbourne | 6.9 | .01 | 18 | 64 | sunny | London (Ctrl) | 4.1 | - | 17 | 63 | bright am |
| Brighton | - | .14 | 16 | 61 | bright am | B'ham (Airpt) | 6.5 | .02 | 16 | 61 | cloudy |
| Worthing | 6.7 | .56 | 18 | 64 | sunny | Bristol (Ctrl) | 4.9 | .50 | 18 | 64 | sunny am |
| Littlehmptn | 6.9 | .61 | 18 | 64 | sunny | Cardiff (Ctrl) | 6.8 | - | 17 | 63 | sunny |
| Bognor R | 8.3 | .19 | 18 | 64 | sunny | Anglesey | 7.5 | - | 16 | 61 | bright |
| Southsea | 7.0 | .02 | 18 | 64 | sunny | B'pool (Airpt) | 5.9 | .03 | 15 | 59 | bright |
| Shanklin | | | | | | Manchester | 7.5 | - | 16 | 61 | bright |
| Bournemth | 4.6 | .09 | 17 | 63 | bright am | Nottingham | 4.2 | - | 17 | 63 | bright pm |
| Poole | 5.9 | .10 | 18 | 64 | cloudy pm | N'ctl-n-Tyne | 7.0 | .02 | 16 | 61 | sunny |
| Swanage | 6.3 | .12 | 18 | 64 | sunny | Carlisle | 4.9 | - | 15 | 59 | fog am |
| Weymouth | 7.1 | - | 20 | 68 | sunny | Eskdalemuir | 2.9 | - | 13 | 55 | cloudy |
| Exmouth | 8.7 | - | 18 | 64 | sunny | Prestwick | 2.2 | .01 | 15 | 59 | rain pm |
| Torquay | 9.1 | - | 19 | 66 | sunny | Glasgow | 1.6 | .01 | 15 | 59 | rain pm |

### Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

| | | C | F | | | C | F | | | C | F | | | C | F |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ajaccio | f | 22 | 72 | Cologne | c | 17 | 63 | Majorca | f | 25 | 77 | Rome | f | 25 | 77 |
| Akrotiri | s | 27 | 81 | Copenhgn | s | 16 | 61 | Malaga* | s | 27 | 81 | Salzburg | f | 18 | 64 |
| Alexandria | s | 29 | 84 | Corfu | f | 25 | 77 | Malta | s | 28 | 82 | Sao Paulo | - | - | - |
| Algiers | s | 29 | 84 | Dublin | c | 15 | 59 | Melbourne | r | 9 | 48 | S Francisco | - | - | - |
| Amsterdam | f | 17 | 63 | Dubrovnik | s | 23 | 73 | Mexico C | - | - | - | Santiago | - | - | - |
| Athens | s | 29 | 84 | Faro | s | 25 | 77 | Miami | - | - | - | Seoul | f | 26 | 79 |
| Bahrain | - | - | - | Florence | c | 20 | 68 | Milan | r | 16 | 61 | Singapore | f | 28 | 82 |
| Barbados | - | - | - | Frankfort | c | 16 | 61 | Montreal | - | - | - | Stockholm | f | 13 | 55 |
| Barcelona | f | 23 | 73 | Funchal | r | 21 | 70 | Moscow | r | 11 | 52 | Strasbourg | c | 15 | 59 |
| Beirut* | c | 27 | 81 | Geneva | c | 13 | 55 | Munich | c | 14 | 57 | Sydney | c | 18 | 64 |
| Belgrade | f | 22 | 72 | Gibraltar | s | 28 | 82 | Nairobi | - | - | - | Tangier | f | 24 | 75 |
| Berlin | c | 15 | 59 | Helsinki | r | 11 | 52 | Naples | c | 22 | 72 | Tel Aviv* | s | 27 | 81 |
| Bermuda | - | - | - | Hongkong | f | 30 | 86 | New Delhi | f | 30 | 86 | Tenerife | c | 25 | 77 |
| Biarritz | f | 18 | 64 | Innsbruck | f | 15 | 59 | New York | - | - | - | Tokyo | r | 24 | 75 |
| Boulogne | c | 13 | 55 | Istanbul | s | 27 | 81 | Nice | c | 18 | 64 | Toronto | c | 16 | 61 |
| Bordeaux | c | 17 | 63 | Jiddah | s | 33 | 91 | Oslo | c | 13 | 55 | Tunis | s | 29 | 84 |
| Brussels | f | 16 | 61 | Jo'burg | - | - | - | Paris | c | 14 | 57 | Valencia | s | 25 | 77 |
| Budapest | s | 20 | 68 | Karachi | f | 23 | 73 | Peking | c | 21 | 70 | Vancouver | - | - | - |
| Buen Aires* | f | 19 | 66 | Las Palmas | s | 26 | 79 | Perth | s | 22 | 72 | Venice | f | 18 | 64 |
| Cairo | s | 31 | 88 | Lisbon | s | 22 | 72 | Prague | f | 16 | 61 | Vienna | c | 16 | 61 |
| Cape Tn | c | 18 | 64 | Locarno | r | 13 | 55 | Reykjavik | c | 10 | 50 | Warsaw | c | 11 | 52 |
| C'blanca | c | 22 | 72 | L Angeles | - | - | - | Rhodes | s | 29 | 84 | Washington | - | - | - |
| Chicago | - | - | - | Luxembg | r | 14 | 57 | Riyadh | f | 39 | 102 | Wellington* | c | 11 | 52 |
| Ch'church* | c | 9 | 48 | Madrid | s | 24 | 75 | Rio de Jan | f | 21 | 70 | Zurich | r | 14 | 57 |

* denotes Monday's figures are latest available

### Highest and lowest

Highest day temp: Weymouth, 20C (68F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath, 11C (52F); highest rainfall: Lyneham (Wilts), 0.79in; highest sunshine: Teignmouth, Guernsey, 9.6hr.

### Lighting-up time

London 7.36 pm to 6.14 am
Bristol 7.45 pm to 6.23 am
Edinburgh 7.49 pm to 6.24 am
Manchester 7.45 pm to 6.21 am
Penzance 7.57 pm to 6.36 am